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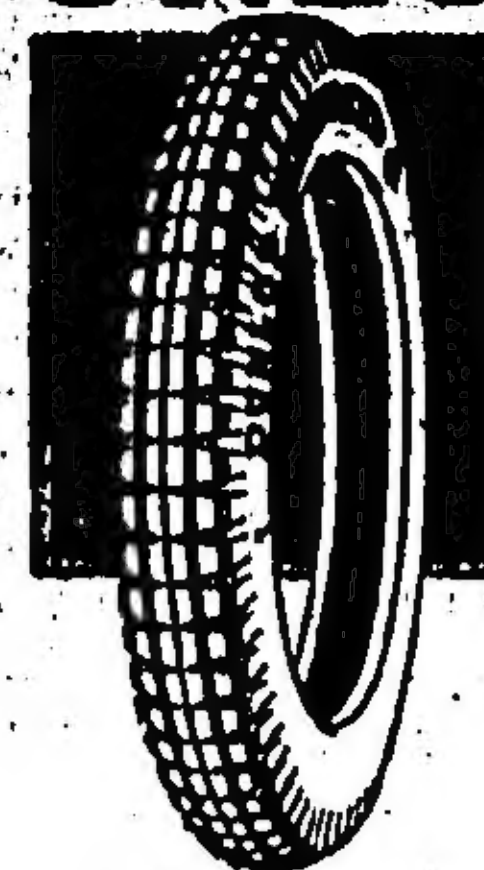
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CHINESE THREATEN JAPANESE LEFT FLANK.

TROOPS CREEP UP DURING NIGHT.

SUDDEN AND SECRET ADVANCE.

OMINOUS MOVE BY 88th DIVISION.

STIR IN SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Apr. 15, 12.22 p.m.
A SECRET MOVEMENT OF TROOPS UNDER THE COVER OF DARKNESS, THREATENING THE LEFT FLANK OF THE JAPANESE FORCES, WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE CHINESE COMMAND LAST NIGHT, ACCORDING TO RELIABLE REPORTS WHICH HAVE CREATED A CONSIDERABLE STIR IN FOREIGN CIRCLES.

The advance, which has ominous possibilities, was carried out by the Eighty-Eighth (Chiang Kai-shek) Division. The first intimation of the movement of this Division came from Mrs. Calvert, the wife of an American doctor, who, according to the *China Press*, informed the Municipal Police that she had observed the approach of plain-clothes Chinese soldiers in the rear of the Shanghai Sanatorium, on the western outskirts of the International Settlement.

The Eighty-Eighth Division, which fought magnificently in the battles of Kiang-wan, giving way only after suffering terrible losses, is believed to have been reorganised and brought up to strength.

STRATEGIC POSITION.

According to reports now available, the Division moved slowly along the south side of the Soochow Creek until they had taken up their positions facing the Japanese left flank.

Foreign military authorities are extremely reticent on the subject.

FORCE INCREASING.

It is further reported that the Chinese forces are gradually and cautiously increasing. At present there is an extremely powerful force directly opposite the Japanese positions on the north bank of the Soochow Creek.—*Reuter*.

WHAT WILL GENEVA DECIDE? (SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

The armistice negotiations remain in a state of complete suspense, as far as the main conference is concerned, though its military sub-committee is still discussing points of detail.

No progress is expected, however, to be made.

Chinese interest now centres upon Geneva where the Assembly Committee of Nineteen, to which China has referred the issue, meets to-morrow.

JAPAN'S STAND.

The Japanese appear determined that the question of the

fixing of a time-limit for the complete withdrawal of their forces should be settled in Shanghai and consequently it is feared in some quarters that any decisions reached by Geneva to-morrow may be wholly ignored.

In this event, the League's reaction will be anxiously awaited.

The complication afforded by the movement of the Eighty-Eighth Division last night is certainly not calculated to ease an already tense situation.—*Reuter*.

go, no commitment is made.

Death Threat.

Japanese circles further reason that the failure of the Shanghai armistice negotiations was because the Chinese plenipotentiary (presumably Mr. Quo Tai-chi is referred to) was threatened by death by Chinese students if he signs a dishonourable armistice.

The plenipotentiary, according to the Japanese, has taken refuge in a hospital in the French Concession on a plea of illness.

Serious Submission.

Reuter's Geneva correspondent understands that the Japanese member of the Assembly Committee of Nineteen will submit to the meeting of the Committee on Saturday, the foregoing explanation of the failure of the negotiations.—*Reuter*.

BROKER FOUND SHOT

OLD RESIDENT OF SHANGHAI.

FRIGHTENED BOY'S LONG VIGIL.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

Mr. Arthur E. Stewart, a broker and one of the oldest and best-known residents of Shanghai, was found shot dead in his home at No. 43, Kiaochow Road, on Wednesday night.

At the inquest yesterday afternoon, a somewhat remarkable story of how an alarmed "boy" searched for Mrs. Stewart without success and of how it was three hours after the shooting before the police were informed, was related.

It appears that at about 9.25 p.m. the "boy" heard a shot and on going to his master's bedroom on the first floor, found him seated in a chair. He was already dead.

Search for Mrs. Stewart.

As Mr. Moore, who lives in the same house, was not at home, the "boy" proceeded to the French Concession to search for Mrs. Stewart, who was out playing bridge, and failing to find her, returned, sitting on the doorstep until the arrival of Mr. Moore, not knowing what to do.

Mr. Moore stated that he returned after midnight and found the "boy" outside waiting. He immediately went upstairs and found Mr. Stewart shot through the right temple. A .38 Webley revolver was lying on the floor alongside him.

Inquest Adjourned.

The police were summoned and the inquest opened at the Mortuary yesterday, before Mr. Haines.

Dr. Burton gave evidence as to the cause of death and Mr. Moore identified the body.

The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday of next week.

JAVA SEAPLANE TRAGEDY.

CRASH DURING A NIGHT TRIAL.

Sourabaya, Apr. 15.

Three non-commissioned officers are reported to be missing from a seaplane which crashed during night trials.

The machine caught fire after striking the water.

There were four N.C.O. occupants of the ill-fated machine and one of them was rescued, though he is seriously injured.—*Reuter*.

GRAVE AUCKLAND RIOTS.

INJURED RUN TO HUNDREDS.

MARINE FORCE CALLED OUT.

Auckland, N. Z. Apr. 14.

Fierce rioting and looting, in the course of which hundreds of civilians and twenty-three policemen were injured, broke out in Auckland, the largest city in North Island to-day.

One £100,000 worth of damage was done by the rioters.

One of the gravest disturbances in the history of the city, it broke out when unemployed clashed with the police at the conclusion of a procession of civil servants who were demonstrating against salary cuts.

Marines from H.M.S. *Philomel*, the light cruiser depot ship, were summoned to quell the disorders. Hitherto twenty arrests have been made.—*Reuter*.

LONDON SOCCER SENSATION.

GALLACHER AND LAW GOING ABROAD.

London, Apr. 14.

Something of a sensation has been created in London soccer circles by an official announcement from Nimes, France, that Hugh Gallacher and Law, Chelsea's famous international centre-forward and left back respectively, have been engaged by the Nimes Sporting Club.

The players have arranged to arrive in Nimes on May 4 or 5 and will start playing for the Nimes Sporting Club next season.—*Reuter*.

DOLLAR REMAINS UNCHANGED.

SILVER SLIGHTLY DECLINES.

Silver is slightly down in London, but the Hongkong dollar remains unchanged at 1s. 2 3/4d. The local market is steady, although the undertone is still inclined to be on the easy side.

Silver dropped 1/8th in London, spot and forward. Speculators sold, while China bought at the decline. The market closed quietly steady.

New York reports no change, but the market is dull.



No country appears to be immune from unemployed riots in these troublous times. The above picture was taken in London a week or two ago and shows police charging an unruly crowd of demonstrators. Over forty were injured.

ANGLO-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP.

London Welcomes Mr. Mellon.

KING'S MESSAGE.

London, Apr. 14.

"All the world, particularly Americans, have watched with admiration the heroic manner in which the government and the people of Great Britain have faced their difficulties," declared Mr. Andrew Mellon, new American Ambassador, in a speech at the Pilgrims Dinner this evening.

"The British people have not hesitated to add to their already heavy burdens in order to meet their responsibilities towards each other and the world."

Corner Turned.

Mr. Mellon declared that he was impressed by the feeling that Britain had turned her most difficult corner and had the situation in hand.

Sir John Simon, replying, said that Anglo-American feeling was never more friendly than it was today and Britain was firmly resolved to cultivate that happy relationship and to use it for the benefit of the whole world.

Prince's Speech.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, addressing the gathering, said that the appointment of Mr. Mellon as America's Ambassador in Britain was a great gesture on the part of the American people.

It could not fail to strengthen mutual faith and hearten us to tackle the problems besetting us. His Majesty the King, in reply to a *Loyal Message* from the Pilgrims, expressed pleasure in associating himself with the welcome to Mr. Andrew Mellon.—*Reuter*.

BRITAIN'S TRADE RECOVERY.

GREATEST IMPETUS SINCE 1921.

IMPORT DUTIES.

London, Apr. 14.

The operation of the Abnormal Imports Orders has given British industries their greatest impetus since 1921, declared Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, in a review of the encouraging results in the House of Commons to-night.

Although the unemployment figures were still shockingly high, employment in Britain had uniquely increased by half a million in the past twelve months.

In the course of his speech, Mr. Runciman said Britain was the most highly industrial country in Europe, with commercial activities still the greatest in the world. Britain's trade with Europe represented, until recently, nearly one-third of her foreign trade, but there had been a great shrinkage of European trade.

Imports Kept Down.

Britain might have suffered much more for the action taken since last August, and they could look back on the effect of that policy with some satisfaction.

The import of large quantities of goods with which the country could most easily afford to dispense had been cut down, and the expenditure on non-essentials bought from abroad had been halved.

The Abnormal Imports Orders of last winter appeared to have kept down imports by at least £8,000,000 directly, and £16,000,000 or £17,000,000 indirectly.

In the West Riding of Yorkshire, there was greater activity than for years past, the mills having ceased short-time work and many of them were working overtime. There were signs of a revival in some, although not all, branches of the cotton trade. The manufacture of electrical machinery was regaining its foreign market as well as retaining its home customers.

If the measure of activities of British trade was taken on exports alone, it would be found that Britain had suffered less from world shrinkage than any other country.

Other Countries Suffer.

The decrease in the first quarter of this year was £11,000,000 below that of the first quarter of last year, but whereas our diminution had been 11 points, the United States shrinkage taken over the whole three months, amounted to more than 38 per cent., Germany fell 21 per cent., France 33, and the Netherlands over 34.

British industries had adapted themselves to the needs of the home market, but the needs of the world market were still far from being met.

LOCAL GAOL ESCAPE.

MYSTERIOUS GET-AWAY.

The escape of yet another prisoner from Laichikok Gaol during last night is engaging the attention of the authorities.

It is understood that the prisoner managed to work loose one of the iron bars of the cell window and to tear away the barbed wire immediately outside the window. The scaling of the wall which surrounds the gaol offered little difficulty.

Only a brief message notifying Police Headquarters of the man's escape has been received from the gaol authorities. This indicates that the man disappeared some time during the night but that his escape was not discovered until this morning. It is not known precisely when the get-away was effected, but it was not until 6.10 a.m. that it was found he was not in his detention cell.

Alleged Communist.

The prisoner, whose name is Kung Sui-leung, was not a convict but was detained under the Deportation Ordinance. He was arrested early this month for alleged Communist activities and on April 5 was admitted to the Laichikok Prison for detention, pending deportation.

As such he was not dressed in prison clothes but was allowed to retain his own garments, and was detained in a cell distinct from those housing convicts.

According to the police message, the prisoner was dressed in dark civilian clothing without shoes or socks.

GOVERNMENT AND NUDISTS.

NO REPLY YET TO APPLICATION.

APPEAL TO LONDON IF REFUSED.

Though it has been rumoured that an unfavourable reply has been received, the Hongkong Nudist Society is still awaiting the Government's decision regarding the application for the lease of an island for the practising of the nude cult. The only reply yet received, on April 4, stated that the Government were giving the matter consideration.

In the meantime, the Society, according to Mr. H. E. Lanepart, the Hon. Secretary, is not at all anxious about the outcome of the Government's deliberations on the subject.

"It is the duty of the Government to dispose of Crown land," he said this morning, "and they can only refuse such an application upon the strongest grounds of illegality, which cannot be applied to our movement, for it is already world-wide."

"If we should be refused, we shall appeal to the British Parliament. We feel that the people need this cult. We have only the clergymen in opposition, but we know that the workers feel the desire for greater health and the necessity of the movement."

"We feel sure that we have the doctors on our side, for they are all at the present time advocating more fresh air, which is subtle propaganda for the nude cult."

WIDOW COMMITS SUTTEE.

NINE MEN ARRESTED AS ACCOMPLICES.

Patna, Apr. 14.

Nine men of Thakur, a village of Khandauli, were arrested to-day and are to be charged with aiding a widow to commit suttie. Police witnesses say they saw a widow on the road to the village.

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By W. E. McKenney.

Secretary, American Bridge League.

Under the straight forcing system there are the following types of original bids:

One Bids.

Original bids of one of a suit, showing at least two and one-half quick tricks.

Original bids of one no trump, showing a definite count—no biddable suit and at least two quick tricks.

Two Bids.

Original bids of two of a suit are absolute demand bids and require partner to keep the bidding open until a game declaration is arrived at even with a trickless hand.

Original bids of two no trump, showing the four suits stopped, and while the hand may contain a biddable four-card suit, it is not strong enough to make an original demand two-bid.

Three Bids.

Original bids of three of a suit, showing a hand not strong enough to make an original forcing bid of two but a hand that will probably produce game with one in-cards in partner's hand. It further shows that there is no desire to play the hand at no trump and normal support is not necessary.

Original bids of three no trump, show all suits doubly stopped and invite a slam. It is a type of hand very seldom held. In most cases, it is better to open these hands with original forcing suit bid of two.

Four Bids.

Original suit bid of four is purely a pre-emptive bid. It shows great length in trump and little or no defensive strength but will take about eight tricks.

Naturally the type of biddable hands most frequently held are original suit bids of one. While original bids of one are in no way forcing bids, under the straight forcing system partner is required to keep the bidding open when holding at least a trick and a half.

Partner's Response

To Original One Bids.
When partner has made an original bid of one no trump, you will raise partner's one no trump to two no trump with combined count of 22 and to three no trump with a combined count of 24; or holding a biddable suit and a half, you will show your suit.

When holding a strong biddable suit and at least two and one-half quick tricks, you will bid one more than necessary which is a forcing bid and requires partner to bid again; e. g. partner bids one no trump and you hold hearts A J 10 7 3 and a side A and side K, your proper response is three hearts to show partner a hand that you think game can be made on.

When partner has made an original suit bid of one and you hold one and one-half quick tricks and normal support in partner's bid, you will raise partner's bid and you should give partner the full extent of your hand at once; e. g. partner bids one heart and with your hand you know that even if partner has a minimum holding, you can make at least three hearts at once and then if partner has additional strength, he will go to four hearts.

Not holding normal support, you will deny by bidding one no trump. Again if you hold a trick and a half and not normal support in partner's suit but a biddable suit of your own, you will overcall partner's suit with your suit. If you hold a strong biddable suit and two and one-half of these quick tricks, you will make a jump shift bid; e. g. partner bids one spade and you bid three hearts. This is one more than necessary to overcall and shows partner a probable game going hand and requires him to keep the bid open.

LEVIES ON PIECE GOODS.

LOCAL IMPORTERS' OPPOSITION.

POINTED SPEECHES.

As the result of demands recently made by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild and other Guilds for making levies on all business entered into after certain dates, the proceeds of such levies to be paid to Guild employees, a general meeting of all important merchants of the Colony was held yesterday evening to consider the matter. The meeting was summoned by the General Chamber of Commerce and was held in the Chambered Bank Building, the attendance including non-members of the Chamber.

The Chairman of the Chamber (Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell) presided and he was supported by the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, (Mr. Wong Kwong-tin); also by the following members of the General Committee:—the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, and Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, M. T. Johnson, Paul Lauder, J. A. Plummer, M. St. J. Walsh and J. P. Warren, with the Secretary, Mr. M. F. Key.

In opening the proceedings, the Chairman welcomed all present particularly Mr. Wong Kwong-tin. In moving the first resolution, the Chairman said:

This meeting has been called, as our notice states, in order to give you an opportunity to consider and discuss matters of general importance to the import trade of the Colony, arising out of certain demands which have recently been put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild and other Guilds.

The first demand of the Piece Goods Guild was, in effect, that notwithstanding anything which might be written to the contrary, in any contract, a levy of one per cent, should be payable to the Guild or its members on all business entered into after a certain date (15th January). It was understood that this levy, which would amount to something like \$700,000 per annum in the aggregate, would be divided among the shop foks, but naturally the importer was not concerned with its appropriation.

Discount In Contract.

To this the Chamber replied that the question of a discount was entirely a matter of price-fixing between buyer and seller, and if any dealer—whether a Guild member or not—wished prices quoted subject to a discount of one per cent, or 50 per cent, there would be no objection, but that any discount must be definitely agreed beforehand and stated in the contract. We further advised all our members to clause their contracts to the effect that—

"Sellers will not be bound by any conditions, rebates, or any other matters which are not expressly contained in their contracts."

I would like to suggest here, gentlemen, that trade, both within as well as without the Colony, is already sufficiently burdened with taxation to render the imposition of an additional one per cent, a matter of general importance, since this would constitute a charge on the Colony's trade which could be avoided by taking your business direct to Canton or other China Ports. If local Chinese dealers wish to benefit their Guilds or foks to the extent of one per cent, on their turnover it must be for themselves to decide, but if business thereby goes past them, they are to blame.

Taxing The Trade.

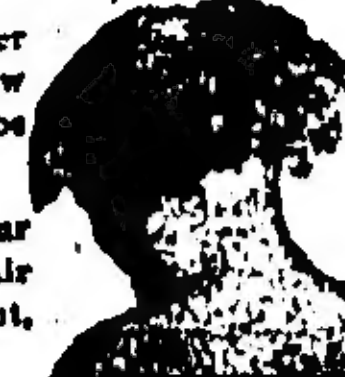
No doubt some members of the Guild think, in demanding this tax, they are taking one per cent, from what they imagine to be the importers' "handsome" profit, and do not for a moment realise that they are merely taxing the trade. The next communication which the Chamber received was a request

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to bring pressure upon its members to treat their clients leniently in the matter of interest on overdue cargo, etc., owing to the great hardships brought about by the Shanghai troubles. The Chamber replied that, to the best of its knowledge, merchants had always treated their clients with great leniency and there was no reason to anticipate any change of attitude, hinting mildly that the Guild was crying out before it was hurt, so far as British and Continental goods were concerned.

Another Resolution.

The next item was an intimation from the Po Yick Commercial Association, or Sundries Guild, that they had passed a similar resolution to that of the Piece Goods Guild, but were slightly more moderate in their ideas and only required that one-half per cent, should be "rebated and set aside" (Continued on Page 10.)



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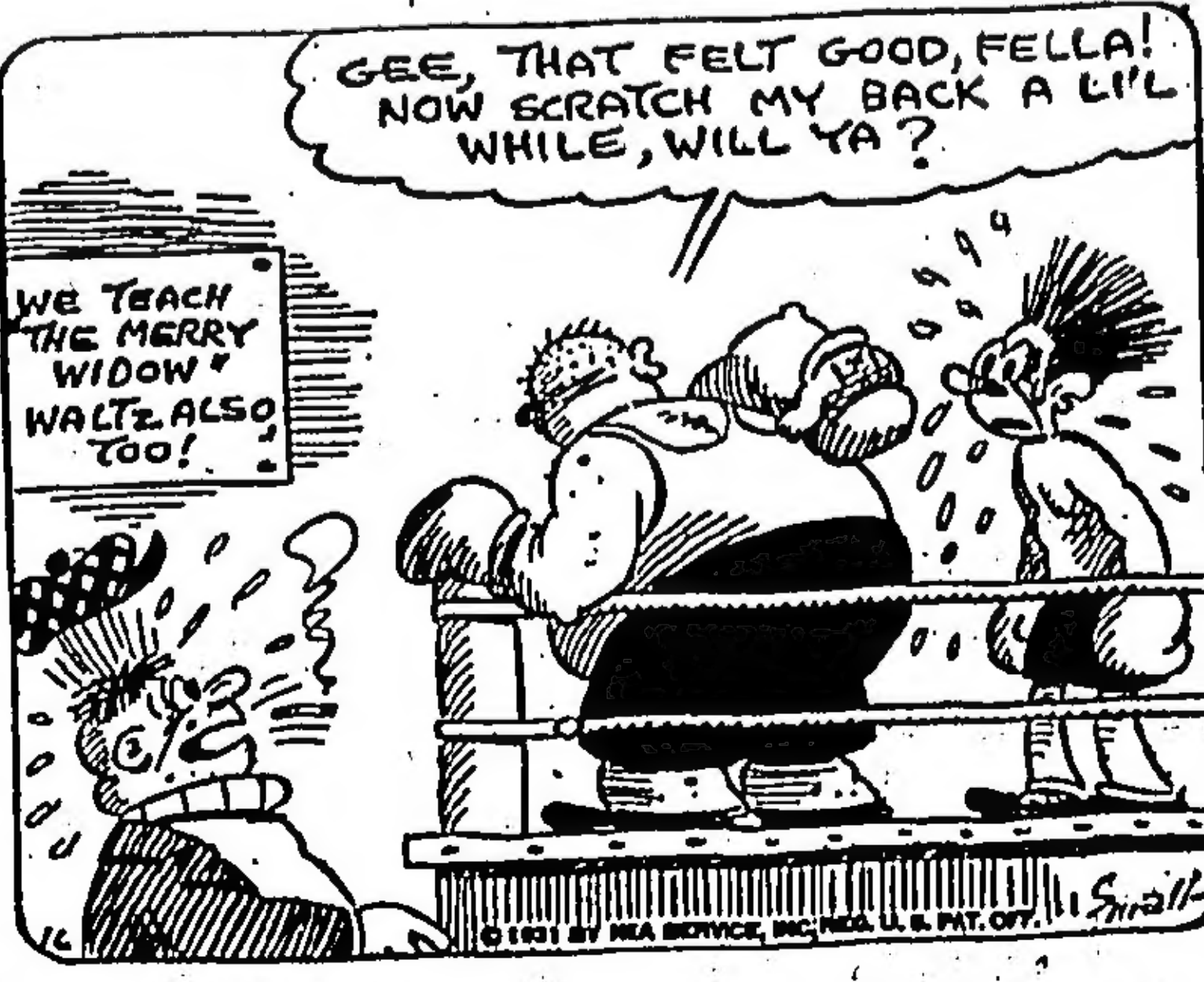
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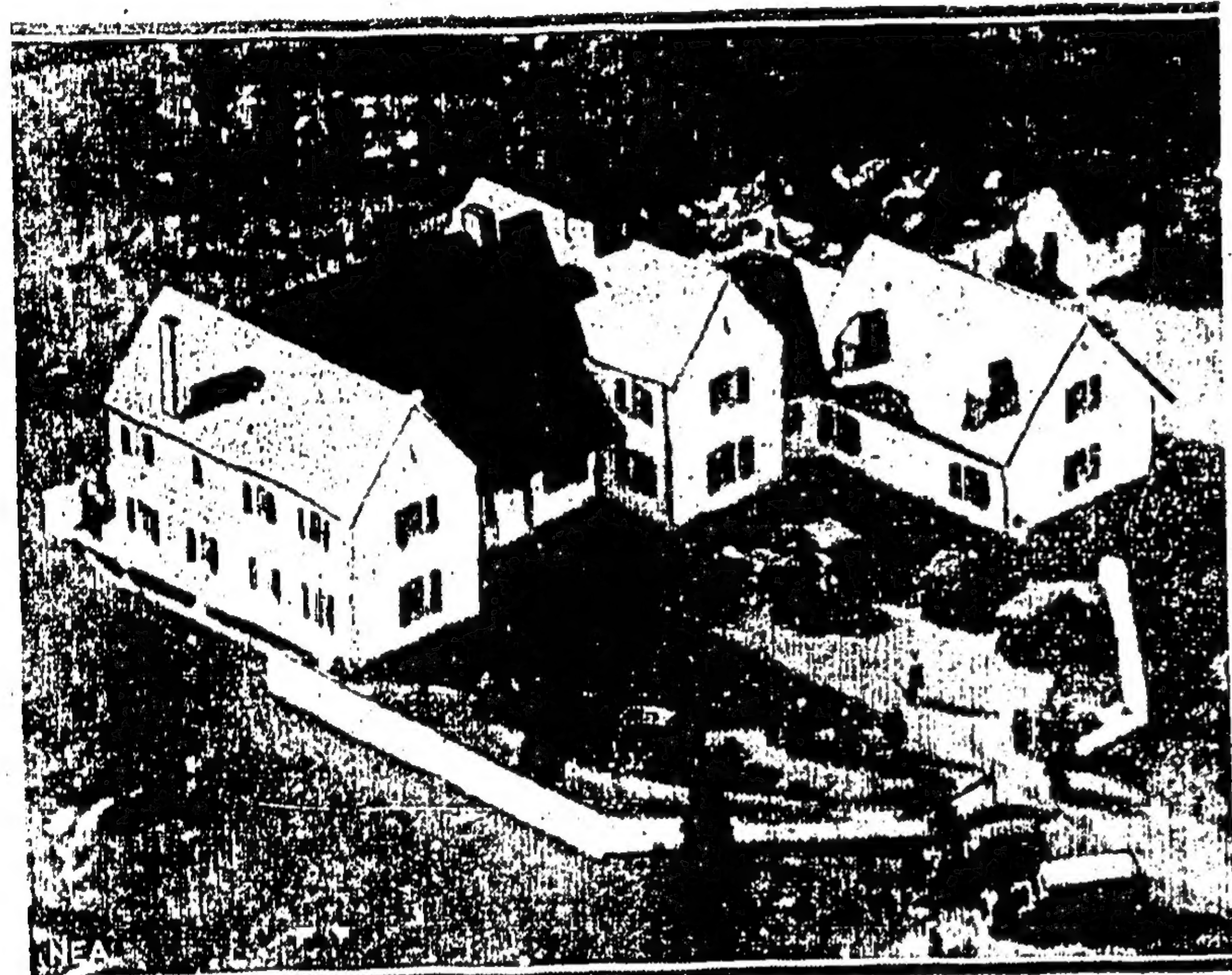




New York and New Jersey police officials, all of whom are endeavouring to solve the Lindbergh baby disappearance mystery, are shown in this telephoto. Left to right: Police Commissioner Edward Mulrooney, New York; Police Chief Thomas J. Wolfe, Jersey City; John Milton, counsel to, and Col. William H. Kelly, aide to Gov. Moore of New Jersey; Inspector John Lyons, New York; Chief Inspector John J. O'Brien, New York; Mayor Frank Hague, Jersey City; William Egan, commissioner of public safety, Newark; Capt. Bulger, Newark police.



Ina Clair, wife of John Gilbert, arriving in England recently. Reports of impending divorce have not been borne out.



A general view of the Lindbergh estate at Hopewell, N.J., shows the house and part of the grounds, and in the background, the woods through which the kidnapers fled.



One of the last picture to be taken of Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr., before his kidnapping.

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAUTON

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Beautiful Ellen Rosseter, a starlet in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her extravagant mother, Molly Rosseter, her older sister, Myra, and her young brother, Mike. The two girls support the family. Molly foolishly spends money saved to pay the rent. Ellen decides to work at night at Dreamland as a dance hall hostess until the sum is made up. The hostesses must wear evening dresses and Ellen swears none.

Steven Barclay, a man of 37 and Ellen's employer, sees the girl crying and discovers the situation. He offers to give Ellen a dress but she proudly refuses. He then loans her a dress from stock.

Ellen dines with Barclay and he drives her to Dreamland where he leaves her. Ellen is half-pleased, half-frightened by her wealthy employer's obvious interest in her. But she forgets him entirely when at Dreamland she meets handsome young Larry Harrowgate, an artist, whose prospect, in his own phrase, are exactly nothing. She eagerly accepts Larry's invitation to see the following day.

CHAPTER VII

Ellen had never before realized how many steps there were in the five long flights that led to her own home. She was really very tired but she climbed doggedly forward, determined not to stop. The hall was hot and stuffy, piled up at the landings with rubbish awaiting the janitor's disposition. The house was asleep. Through thin walls she could hear the heavy sound of breathing and even the restless stirrings of the sleepers. At the second floor she identified a terrifying buzzing sound as Papa Clancy's snore.

She chuckled and pushed on. Halfway between the fourth floor and the fifth she was unpleasantly surprised to see light shining from beneath the living room door of her own apartment. Oh, dear, someone was still awake! All the way home on the subway she had planned to hop straight into bed and drift off to sleep on the tide of her own glamorous imaginings. She did not want to share those imaginings or to discuss her experiences of the day. Now there was no help for it.

With a resigned sigh she unlocked the door and stepped into the Rosseter living room. Molly Rosseter, bright-eyed and wide-awake, sat at a battered mahogany table

playing solitaire. Molly's solitaire was the joke of the family. Whenever she was beaten it was her habit to rearrange the cards and to proceed with the play. By faithfully adhering to that system, she never failed to run out all her cards.

"I've just beaten old Sol," she announced innocently as Ellen entered.

Then she sprang up and ran to greet her daughter.

"Sit down, darling," she urged. "You look tired to death. Do you want coffee? Shall I risk it or will you make it yourself? Did you have a good time? Tell me everything."

"Help, help," pleaded Ellen faintly, as she sank into a chair and pushed her hat back off her damp forehead. "You'll have to give me a chance. I'm winded. Don't bother about coffee. I'm going straight to bed."

"Not before you tell me all about it, are you?" Molly wailed in childish disappointment.

"You should have gone to bed, honey," Ellen told her, as her temporary annoyance faded. "But since you didn't, what do you want to know especially?"

"I couldn't have slept a wink," Molly protested earnestly, clasping her hands about her bare knees. "I was too anxious to hear about everything—about the dress particularly. Did you look beautiful? Where is it?"

"It's at Dreamland. I guess I looked all right," Ellen tackled the questions in reverse order.

"Oh, Ellen don't be so provoking! You aren't telling me anything! You only said over the phone that Mr. Barclay had lent it to you. What was he like? Was he nice?"

sion. What had he done? What had he said? How had he looked? She wanted to know not only what Ellen had thought but even what Ellen thought Barclay had thought. In sort she was prepared for a sentimental orgy.

Ellen could not help being mildly irritated when her mother was in such a mood.

"He was rather nice," she answered listlessly. "He's quite old, you know—not likely to be enthusiastic. But extremely kind."

"He drove me to Dreamland," Ellen conceded reluctantly.

"Ellen, that's simply marvelous!" Molly exclaimed ecstatically. "I was sure this morning that something was going to happen. I told you, 'Don't you remember?'"

"Oh, stop it!" Ellen wanted to say. But she managed to hold her tongue. Molly, lost in romantic speculations, saw nothing of her daughter's discomfort. Nor did Ellen's patient and not quite truthful assurances that Barclay had said not one word to indicate anything except a friendly interest, dislodge Molly from her firmly entrenched notion that he had fallen in love with Ellen upon first sight of her.

Ellen forgot how important the meeting with Barclay had seemed before that other meeting at Dreamland. She forgot that there had been nothing pallid about Steven Barclay's image in her mind until she had looked into Larry Harrowgate's shining, admiring eyes.

Not until Barclay and the drive through the park had been pretty thoroughly gone into was she allowed to escape to bed. One thing Molly's tireless cross-examination had failed to elicit—the story of the meeting with Larry Harrowgate.

Ellen woke in the morning to hear subdued giggles. Something furry brushed across her nose and she opened her eyes quickly. Mike's kitten, Buzz, scampered to the edge of the bed and hopped to the floor. Mike himself, seated cross-legged at the foot of the bed and wearing a suit of shrunken pajamas, was responsible for the giggles.

As the girl stretched her arms over her head she felt that the

world was very fair. She laughed joyously with her young brother and as she laughed all thought of sleep vanished. The early morning air was sweet and cool, promising a radiant day. This was the beginning of the day that was to mark her first engagement with Larry Harrowgate. Her mind was busy with delightful planning.

What would she wear? She could carry the pink afternoon dress, a legacy from Aunt Myra, and change at noon when her duties at the store ended. Or would it be better to appear in the same costume she wore at work?

Absorbed in those delightful possibilities, she leaned forward, pulled Mike into her arms and tousled his hair until he squealed with delight.

"Oh, gee," gasped Mike, after a few minutes of uproarious roughhousing, "I forgot to tell you. Somepin came for you. That's why I was to wake you up."

"What came?" "A great big long box with lots of green ribbons."

Flowers! From Larry? Ellen was out of bed in a flash and into the living room. Myra and Molly were both at the table examining a giant florist box.

"It's from McClelland's!" Myra called out excitedly. "Mother and I thought you'd never get up. Did Mike wake you?"

Ellen's fingers trembled with the novel delight of tearing away green ribbons and massed layers of satiny paper. Roses, wet and darkly red—dozens of them!

"How many are there?" Molly incoherently demanded. "Millions, it looks like. I can't count them. Oh, the beauties!"

She wrenched the card free and tore open the envelope. The ink had blurred with dampness but the writing was perfectly distinguishable. The writing was not Larry's.

"To the success of your new venture. S. B." read the message. Ellen was ready to cry in her disappointment. She had been so sure! Myra and Molly were far too pleased and fluttered to notice anything amiss. Flowers and beaux in the Rosseter household were rare enough to cause any amount of excitement.

"I told you, I told you," Molly

was insisting. "They're from Mr. Barclay, aren't they?"

"Yes," said Ellen.

The girl read the message a second time in an effort to recapture some of her original delight at receiving such a splendid gift and failed. The card, fluttered from her fingers. Molly pounced upon it. Together she and Myra read the short note and exclaimed and speculated and jubilated quite enough to make up for any lack in Ellen.

An umbrella stand was rushed into service. It was the only vessel in the house deep enough for the long stemmed beauties. Deploring the wastefulness Molly cut down the smooth green stems of half a dozen buds and arranged them at the shabby breakfast table. But her eyes were all for the tall splendor of the blooms in the stand pulled close to Ellen's chair.

"They're four feet long if they're an inch," she murmured happily, slipping into her place at the head of the table.

"Mother, if you say that again," Ellen said crossly, "I'll scream."

"I'll join you in the screaming," (Continued on Page 11.)

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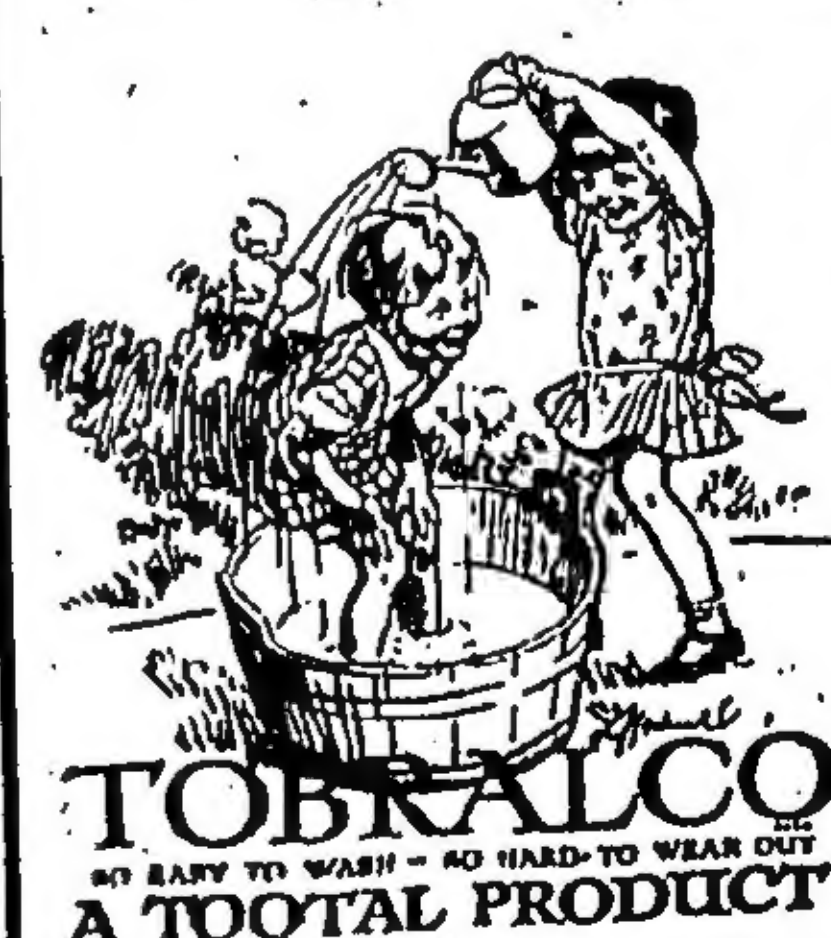
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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 13th day of April, to Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1932.

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

Second Extra Race Meeting.
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First Saddling Bell at 1.45 p.m.
First Race at 2.15 p.m.

Admission to Members' Enclosure will be limited to Members of This Club and Fanling Hunt & Race Club who must wear their Badges.

Non-Members will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure upon payment of \$5 per badge.

Tickets for admission to the Public Enclosure \$1 each.
Each Member is entitled to 2 Ladies Tickets free on application to the Secretary.

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A NEW TURBINE.

INTERESTING PAPER BY
MR. P. C. BARRAND.

The Brush Ljungstrom Steam Turbine was the subject of a paper read to the members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, by Mr. P. C. Barrand, yesterday evening, and below will be found extracts from the interesting dissertation:

Before the introduction of the Ljungstrom type of steam turbine, repeated efforts were made to reduce the considerable length of the reaction turbine as originally designed by the late Sir C. A. Parsons and as a result of the progress along these lines the combined impulse and reaction turbines as designed by Messrs. Brown Boveri, Sulzer and others were brought to the market.

The Ljungstrom turbine was also developed from the Parsons type with the aim of reducing the length but the result was to produce a machine having a character entirely different from those mentioned.

The axial length of the Parsons turbine is largely due to the width of the blades measured in the direction of the steam flow and experiments were first made to ascertain the extent to which this width could be reduced without affecting the efficiency of the individual blade.

It was found that the blade efficiency was independent of the width of the blade, the inlet and outlet angles alone making any difference.

Steps were taken to determine the possible advantages in mechanical construction to be expected, if rings containing these very narrow blades could be built sufficiently strong and accurate in shape.

Turbines were designed with a total blade length equal to the difference in radii between the high pressure and low pressure ends of the rotor of a Parsons machine and consideration was given to a turbine of radial flow design containing one stationary and one rotating disc with cylindrical blade rings between.

Considerable Advantage.

It soon became evident that it would be advantageous to allow both these discs to rotate in opposite directions; the relative blade speeds of the two halves of the system thus being doubled and likewise the steam velocity.

The number of blade rings could then be reduced to one quarter of what would be necessary for a single rotation set of equal efficiency.

The advantages promised by the radial flow design in economy in space, weight, and material were considerable but the attainment of these advantages required the solution of numerous problems of a mechanical nature, especially those involved in the construction of the blade rings.

Experimental work consequently started with the blade rings and not until all the difficulties connected with these details had been properly overcome were the complete designs for a turbine laid down.

When the work had advanced so far the Ljungstrom Steam Turbine Co., Ltd., was formed and they built two experimental sets, one of 500 Kw. and the other of 1,000 Kw. capacity.

In the general arrangement of the Ljungstrom set the turbine is placed between two alternators and mounted on the end of one of the alternator shafts is an exciter which supplies excitation current to both alternators.

Both alternator shafts are connected in series with each other and the exciter and the alternator shafts are permanently connected in parallel, thus automatically synchronising as soon as exciting current is available during the running up of the set.

The machine has no bedplate, the complete weight being taken by the condenser. The great advantage of this arrangement is that no load comes on the engine room floor and all that is necessary in the matter of foundations are two small concrete stools for the condenser. The walls of the station building and the overhead crane may be of lighter construction than is required for any other type of turbine.

In the Ljungstrom turbine a simple and ingenious joint has been devised to solve the problem of linking up members which may be subject to stresses due to differential expansion.

Blading System.

The blades are of the reaction pattern milled from round bars in lengths of about 12ft. and afterwards cut in to lengths of 3ft. and ground up in the direction of the steam flow.

A very rigid ring is produced by the system, the blades being well supported at both ends, and it will be seen that considerable clearance can be allowed between consecutive blade rings without seriously affecting the leakage of steam past the rings.

The bearings are unique in design, the length being somewhat less than the diameter. In the early days of the turbine long bearings were considered essential for high speeds and

ILK.G.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Weather permitting the Finals of the open doubles will take place at 4.15 p.m. on Monday, 18th April, followed by the distribution of prizes.

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on the first axial flow machines the bearings were as much as 3/4 diameter long. This was not good practice and there was a possibility of the slender journals distorting under stress, also the critical speed was of a lower order than that obtainable with bearings. It was supposed that short bearings, with a low limit to the pressure per square inch which could safely be put on a bearing and also to the safe peripheral speed.

Seventy-five feet per second and seventy-five pounds per sq. inch were considered the highest limits allowable for a long time but the conditions in the bearings of the Ljungstrom are approximately 150ft. per second and 120lbs. per sq. inch. It must be understood that the metals of the journal and the bearings do not make contact but that the journal floats on and is supported by an oil film which separates the two. The design must be such that the oil film can be forced and maintained.

Dismantling.

The working parts of the Ljungstrom turbine are comparatively small and of light weight. They therefore present little difficulty in handling on their removal from the casing. No heat insulation has to be disturbed to give access to nuts and bolts.

Disassembly by removing the upper portion of the turbine casing and as the casing forms the exhaust of the machine all bolts are comparatively cool and dismantling may be commenced almost as soon as the plant is shut down.

It will be seen that every effort has been made to make each size of machine as efficient as possible, at the same time keeping in mind "reliability" and experience has shown that the turbine can more than hold its own as a commercial unit from both the economical and reliability view points.

In conclusion I should mention that there is no difficulty in designing Ljungstrom turbines of any size from 500Kw. output and upwards and although the difference in efficiency between this type of machine and any other type of turbine is not quite so marked as the sizes increase, this point is more than outweighed by the lighter costs of foundations and ease and quickness of starting and entire absence of expansion troubles in the case of the Ljungstrom.

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THROUGH YUNNAN TO MOUNT OMI.

INTERESTING LECTURE BY
DR. PFISTER.

In an illustrated lecture to the St. Andrew's branch of the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association, delivered in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon last night, Dr. M. O. Pfister described a recent trip undertaken by him through the province of Yunnan to the Sacred Mountain of Omi.

Dr. Pfister was impressed with the growth of modernisation in the interior and referred to its effect upon the habits of the inland people.

Dr. Pfister in the course of his lecture said:

The modernisation of China is rapidly progressing. This process naturally is more marked in the coastal districts, but is also noticeable in the interior, for in far away Szechuen you will find surprising modern development. Thus Chungking, formerly like Canton of the Imperial times, a typical walled city with its narrow streets and bustling life, is gradually losing its characteristic features and becoming a modern city.

All along front houses are being pulled down to make space for wider streets and motor traffic. To the time-honoured guilds of water-carriers, wood-carvers and chair-coolies has been added the union of the motor-car drivers and the telephone operators. Although not always of irreproachable efficiency these innovations clash with the many little things of the old Chinese household.

A New Influence.

Wherever you go, following the broad path of traffic, you notice the immense influence of modern industrialisation. The development of Chungking and Chengtu, the nominal capital of the four river provinces, and other large cities in the neighbourhood is intimately connected with the opening up of the upper Yangtze, where now a regular steamship traffic is plying the whole year round.

But there are still parts in China, wide districts even, where this all levelling influence of modernisation has not yet been able to destroy the romance of a virgin country—a province, which due to its natural geographical inaccessibility, remote from navigable streams and railway lines, has up till now preserved its unspoiled character. This is Yunnan, the most western province of China, a mountainous and beautiful country.

It is here in this secluded part of China that we find aboriginal tribes which formerly had been spread all over China, but were gradually driven back by the more industrious and stronger Chinese element.

This was the case with the Miaos, one of the biggest tribes now living in Yunnan and the neighbouring province of Kwelchew. They had been populating parts of middle and eastern China up to the second century before Christ, when they were driven out of these districts and took refuge in the highlands of the west. Here they lived more or less peacefully under their various kings and rulers until in the middle of the 13th century with the invasion of China by Kublai Khan, the Chinese took possession also of Yunnan, shifting the Miaos to still more inaccessible places in the mountainous districts.

The Tribes of Yunnan.

There are many other tribes which one meets when travelling through Yunnan. From the north and north-west, from the Tibetan border, came the Lolos or Neus as they call themselves. They are taller than the Miaos with a warlike disposition especially in the district north of the Kin Sha (the gold sand river) where they live independently.

A third large group is represented by the Chung Chua, which includes the Tai, Laos and Shan tribes from the west and south-west. These tribes are distinctly different from the Chinese, although intermarriage for generations has blurred the racial differences a good deal. Moreover many wear Chinese costumes which make it still more difficult to tell them from the Chinese.

The women stick more rigidly to their tribal traditions than the men. It is by their elaborately embroidered and adorned dresses that you can recognise the various tribes.

I may now say a few words on the geographical structure of Yunnan. The main direction of the large water tracks as well as of the mountain ridges run from north to south. Thus it is obvious that in opening up the country, a traffic route developed in this direction would prove the most profitable. An original plan to tackle the problem by building a railway from Burma to Yunnan has not come to fruition, whereas the French enterprise, a wonderful piece of engineering work connecting Yunnan with the coast at Haiphong, has proved a great success.

The further development will probably be the prolongation of this line north to the Yangtze. But I believe that the future will see the development of an extensive

motor-car traffic in these parts rather than the establishment of a railway line.

Yunnan's Red Beds.

One of the most striking topographical features of Yunnan is the formation of large basins, high plateau, horizontal terraces, red beds as von Richthofen, the noted German geographer named them first. Kun Ming the capital with 80,000 inhabitants, is situated on such a plateau surrounded by mountain ridges. Further north after passing some mountain ridges are similar but higher plateaux. These red beds furnish very fertile soil for cultivation. The mountains are rather bare for the people are not yet sufficiently enlightened enough to realise the immense value of a sound afforestation policy.

On the plains, the ground is richly cultivated with rice, sweet corn, kaullang, potatoes, ground nuts, beans, cabbage and poppies. Here the greater cities are situated—places like Tung Chuan and Chao Tung, both seats of English mission stations. The soil of these basins is of a rich ermine red, a red clay, which is very slippery.

One of the most important factors on a long walking tour is to have the correct foot-wear. Opinions may differ as to the most suitable footwear, but I am convinced that for this kind of a trip in Yunnan light shoes with native sandals fixed to them, are the most suitable.

The climate is perfect in Autumn at the time we undertook the

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For	Per	Date and Time
Japan, Canada, U. S. A., Central and S. America and "Europe via Victoria B. C."	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., April 15.
	Parcels	10th, 3 p.m.
	Reg.	4.15 p.m.
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Amoy	Kutang	Mon., April 18.
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	Reg.	18th, 5 p.m.
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Mr. L. Kennard Davis took

charge of the Hongkong branch of the North China Insurance Co., Ltd.

Prince Leopold of Battenburg passed through the Colony on the way to Japan, and was visited by H. E. the Governor (Sir Frederick Lugard).

The Sanitary Board rejected a motion proposing to change its name to the Board of Health.

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

SMART EFFECT IN BLACK AND WHITE.



The afternoon frock pictured above has a new scarf of black and white, with complementary gloves and bag.

YOUR CHILDREN.

[By Olive Roberts Barton]

Children live in a terrible rut, so do mothers. No wonder! In gets on, interesting and everybody becomes obsessive, living in a big dream world of what could be (but isn't).

We are all packed full of suppressions. All of us are off dreaming somewhere, anywhere but here, and we learned it as children.

The average home is so full of commands. It must be kept neat and clean. That is the first of all. The children must always be ladies and gentlemen, neat and clean, too. The table cloth must be spotless! Feet mustn't stamp or make a noise! No finger must touch the windows, chairs must not be moved, meals must be one long span of politeness and quietness! No wonder children get bored to death and start to dream.

We are so busy paying attention to these more or less superficial things that we are forgetting suppressions—the urges shouting silently for outlet.

Don't Overdo "System".

We cannot let homes go, of course, to become masses of chaos and confusion. This, too, has a bad effect, as it destroys self-respect and system and order are needed up to a certain degree in a home just as they are needed in a business. But system can be a terrible master, and souls and hearts are offered up too often as a sacrifice to its routine cruelty.

The truth is that most mothers have got into the rut of being "housekeepers" instead of home-makers.

What is a home-maker? Well, I should say, a mother who thinks more of making her children into

real people than into starched little puppets who will be neat and clean and quiet and sit around all the time and not touch anything. Our ideas are coming out of the dark and enlarging. We used to buy toys for looks. Now we buy them for interest and to teach the children to do things, to develop them and give them initiative, thought and action.

The idea of the home itself is fast falling into line with the toys. Not that the children are to be allowed to turn vandal and destroy and tear up to their hearts' content. That would not do; but to let them know that the house is theirs to really live in is a different thing.

Fairness Must Rule.

If lessons of respect for property, and justice to their mother and all the work she has to do, as well as politeness and fairness to each other are understood—pounded in, I should say—the new freedom of the house won't greatly upset things. Suppose Ted crawls out of a window and uses the roof as a stage while he delivers a rousing address to a row of Roman Senators on his bed, will that hurt anything? He may forget to straighten the curtain afterward, but put up Ted's growing oratorical ability against a curtain and what have you? Inside he wouldn't have given that address perhaps. He would probably have dawdled on the floor all the afternoon with a book.

Suppose Louise wants to learn to cook. What is a messy kitchen, if she cleans up the worst, to a real desire to make things herself? Otherwise she would be munching chocolates perhaps in a movie, or over at Maude's gossiping.

I think our homes are going to be real factors in the lives of the children, not just filling stations in which to eat and sleep, but places to do real things and to learn.

THOUGHTS.

Dreams for Beauty.

Have you ever seen a face that seems to have a softly radiant light shining through it? Something that makes a plain face beautiful and a beautiful one divine.

Have you, again, seen a face that is the index of the material, un-inspired thoughts behind it? Or one which brings to your mind the words, "They abhor not that which is evil?" There is no beauty there, even though hair, eyes, and features are good.

There is not the slightest doubt that thoughts and habit of mind count enormously in this matter of beauty culture. You have only to look around you to see how true it is.

A doctor does not prescribe an outward application only when he knows that an inward remedy is also necessary. He orders both.

Therefore, hitch your wagon to a star, and don't be laughed out of your high ideals. Parents are often guilty of this kind of vandalism in dealing with children.

And work to make those high dreams realities. Hard that work may be, and self-sacrificing, seeming sometimes well nigh impossible, but it is the stuff that makes dreams come true and builds castles, not in the air, but here on earth where they are needed.

"Above life's stir and stress Shines down our wished ideal. For thinking moulds in clay What life carves in the marble real."

And meanwhile it is being writ slowly, beautifully, in the face of the dreamer and worker.

A little boy of eight, once said, if the head mistress of his kindergarten school, "Mummy, if anyone asked me to describe a perfectly beautiful face I should describe Miss W. S."

She was one of those with that inner light. Children, fresh from the hand of God, and "trailing clouds of glory as they come," have clear vision and true standards—they make no mistakes. And most men and women, children still if you go down deep enough, feel the allure of this soul-loveliness.

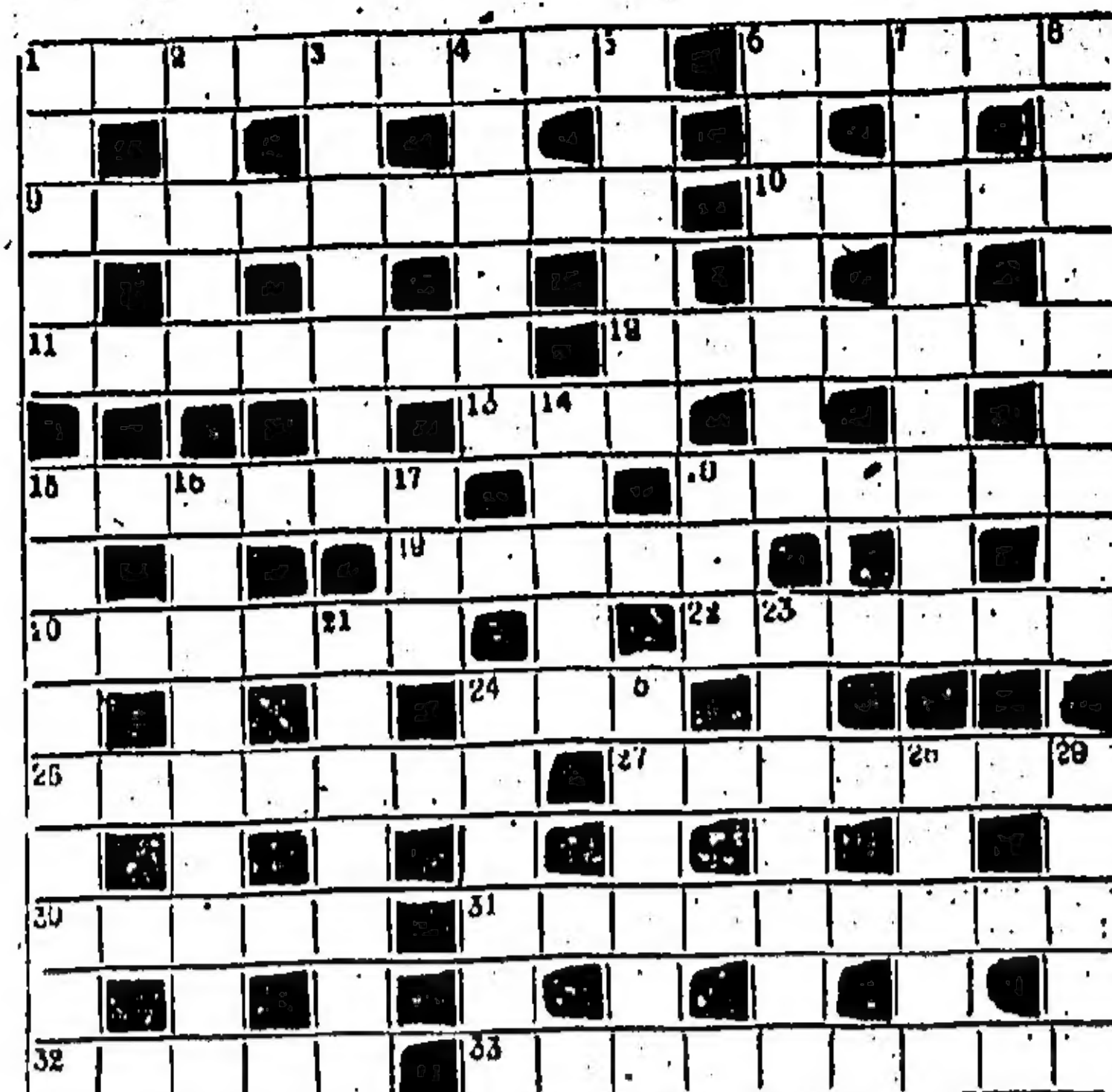
Attend your beauty parlour, by all means, but, whatever you do, keep your ideals, and strive to live up to them—E. H. A. Perceck. In Exchange.

A Smart Shoe.



The vogue for patent leather will go right through summer, according to Paris forecasts. Combined with white suva cloth, which looks like crocheted lace and is very popular.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Fish due, and detectives are doing it.
- 6 Minor collisions that are supposed to give away your character.
- 9 Describes no true believer.
- 10 The princely feature of Gregalach.
- 11 A knot that might be adoring.
- 12 Secution.
- 13 The bird element in a multitude.
- 15 Bustle and colour are more than loved.
- 18 Last month.
- 19 All wrong, and the girl's there plainly enough.
- 20 Restore gaiety in a Communist.
- 22 A famous musketeer.
- 24 The part of Shchra best known to Rider Haggard.
- 26 A Midland town that, with another letter, would be a little hive of industry.
- 27 Takes little bites.
- 30 Considered as a record of the amount of this seaside air required, it doesn't seem enough.
- 31 What the retired Anglo-Indian colonel is in fiction.
- 32 Mother might even try staying at Father's (hidden).
- 33 Fruit.

Down

- 1 Abuse.
- 2 One of the twelve tribes.
- 3 Aperture.
- 4 Placed closely though in something I have packed up in a few minutes.
- 5 Wheeled by a child.
- 6 Is the crime-craze increasing the number of its pupils?

- 7 When this flashes it clearly proves Agnes to be present.
- 8 What you have been writing down.
- 14 This Nation isn't "all-my-eye," but part of it is part of it.
- 15 Starchy and curative (and, to my mind, odious!).
- 16 A collection to hand to a Conservative.
- 17 Bag it is in Asia.
- 18 Letters that suggest "you try!"
- 21 It's growing, and the climb is obvious directly after the start.
- 23 Scour a mangled coin and find a stream whose crossing meant a lot.
- 24 Obviously part of leap year.
- 25 In this case, disorder is bound to produce a scene.
- 28 Old Africa.
- 29 Full of holes.

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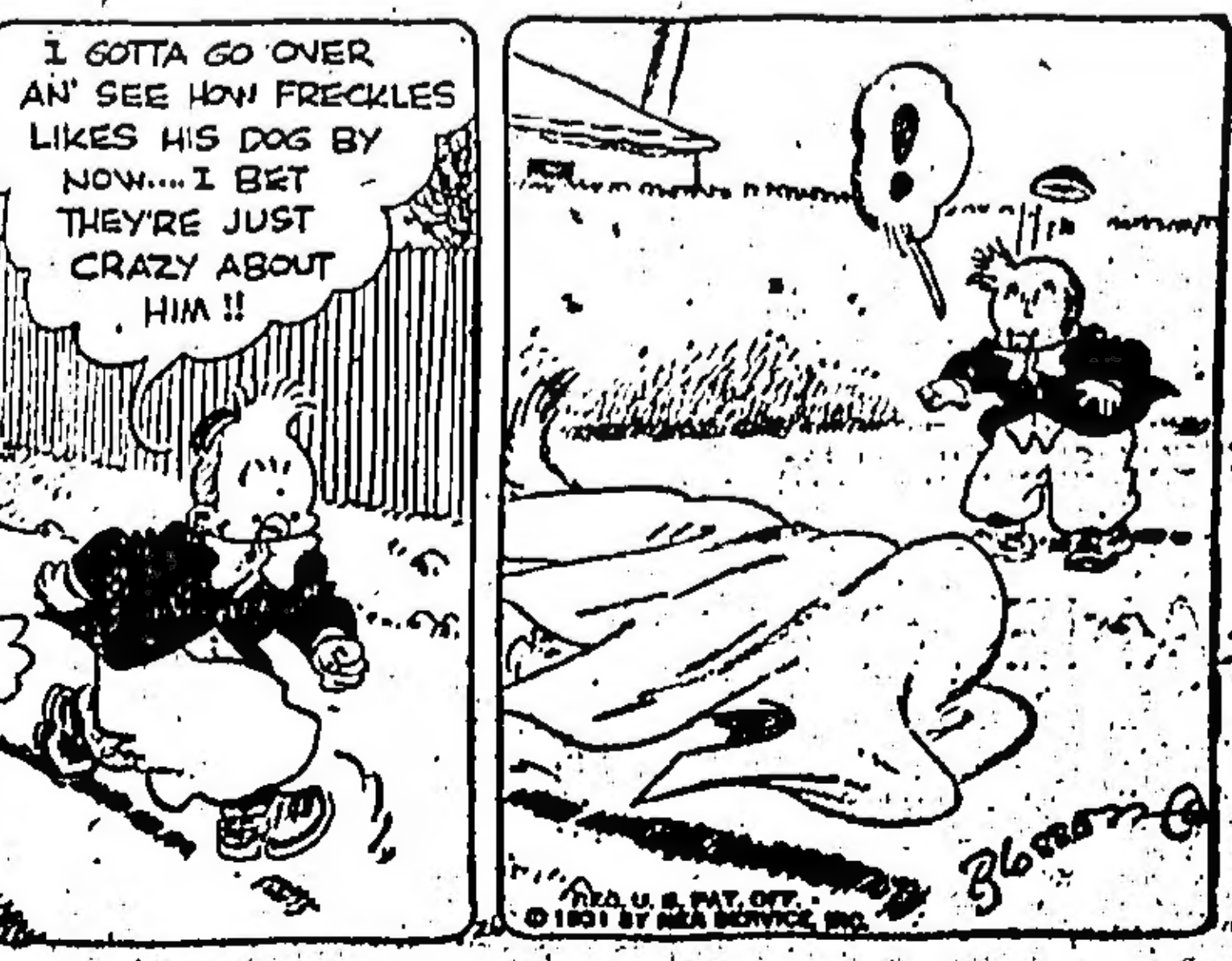
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A BLOW TO THE NAZIS.

The German Government has taken a drastic line of action by deciding to suppress the Nazi military organisations. What the reactions will be remains to be seen. The point to be noted is that the decree is not directed against the Nazis as a political party, which is to retain its normal liberties of action. It is the storm-troops and other cadres which are to be suppressed, on the ground that their existence implies the possibility of civil war breaking out. To the foreign observer, it has seemed strange that there should exist in Germany not only these Nazi storm-troops, but also other similar organisations, such, for example, as the "Steel Helmets," of which, incidentally, President Hindenburg is Honorary President. The French have always complained that the formation and continued existence of these bodies of armed men constitute a menace. It remains to be seen whether the action now taken by the Government is to be directed solely against the Nazis; if so, it will appear to the outside world as a party move, aiming at the subordination of the Hitlerites.

One of the outstanding features of German political life in the past two or three years has been the amazing rise to prominence of Herr Hitler. An entirely self-made man, without means, he has created a national organisation claiming millions of supporters in all parts of the country. As a bricklayer and an odd-job workman in Vienna, he became familiar at first hand with social distress and gained an insight into the Marxist-Socialist disposition of his fellow-workers which lacked any national feeling. Recognising the social evils which needed remedying, he recoiled at the same time from the Marxist idea. Entering the lists, he started to build up on the ruins of the collapsing middle-class and proletarian ideology a new idea of the State in Germany—an idea which does not regard the individual or mankind as the highest standard of value, but which regards the nation as the real unit. In particular, the Peace Treaties

are regarded as intolerable, and so the young Germany, led by Hitler, seeks to solve this question of the tributes and at the same time to reorganise home affairs by reconstructive measures and by suppressing destructive Marxist ideas. The Nazis seek to wipe out Marxism and save Europe from the menace of Asiatic Bolshevism. Whilst their attitude towards reparations and some of the other legacies of the Great War is one of declining to admit responsibility, they say that they are firm in their determination to see all private debts contracted by Germany scrupulously honoured.

These points, however, are not of immediate moment, since the Nazis are still far from being in control of the nation. Whatever the motives of the Government may be, there will be general agreement in foreign countries that a wise step has been taken in "suppressing" Hitler's private army. A private army in any country is an anachronism; the imperium in imperio idea cannot command the support of anyone having regard for constitutional principles. So it is well that the suppression order has gone forth. There will most probably be marked reactions from the step taken, but the Government is evidently determined to have its way. But what of the Steel Helmets and other similar organisations? Having taken action in the one instance, it is difficult to see how the Government's hand can be stayed where these other bodies are concerned.

Don't Mislay that Neutron!

If the atom ever gets the physicist into court on an assault and battery charge, the latter is likely to be convicted under a habitual criminal act. Never since the atom's peace and privacy were first invaded by natural science has there been such a concentrated effort to knock it all to pieces. All sorts of devices are being invented to smash the atom into bits and ascertain exactly what it is made of and why. And when it is considered that a particle of dust on a settee contains some thousand million millions of atoms, the difficulty of getting one little atom into a corner and bombarding it into its constituent parts must be obvious even to the unlearned. The latest and most successful attack on the atom has resulted in announcement of the discovery of the neutron. Other and previous assaults had introduced the proton and the electron to students of the atom. To the average layman, the neutron does not mean much. He may wonder how long it took the physicist to count out the 200,000,000,000,000,000,000 necessary to make an ounce, but natural science is uncovering so many marvels that even a row of electrons standing on their heads would cause him no concern. But the neutron is primarily a protégé of natural scientists and likely to remain a stranger to the layman. From reading reports of the discovery, the layman gets the idea that the neutron was a tough customer and admitted its identity only under severe examination. It had been tramping around disguised as a proton and electron closely bound together. And now big things are expected of the neutron when it grows up. With a "Tag, you're it!" it may slap the elusive cosmic ray on the back. It may explain what keeps the nucleus of the atom from blowing up. Natural scientists are expressing their interest and debating its possibilities. Some of them say there are a lot more than 200,000,000,000,000,000,000 neutrons in an ounce. Here, then, is an opportunity for some enterprising physicist to put a jarful in the front window and get the public to guess on the number.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penfrenth and Co.

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August 1932 4/7½ up 2½d.
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March 1933 5/2½ up 2d.
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May 1932 65 up 6 pts.
July 1932 73 up 5 pts.
September 1932 79 up 5 pts.
December 1932 86 up 5 pts.
March 1933 93 up 5 pts.

DAY BY DAY

I HAVE SEEN SOME HARD TIMES IN MY LIFE, BUT I NEVER SAW THE MOMENT WHEN I WAS NOT SURE THAT I WOULD COME OUT AHEAD IN THE END.—General Grant.

According to a report to the police, Chang Sal, a canteen "boy" engaged at Wellington Barracks, attempted to commit suicide last night by taking an overdose of opium. He was later removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Rensha message from Shanghai states that the Nanjing Government has created a new post to be known as Commissioner for the suppression of bandits in Kiangsi, Fukien, Hunan, Kwangtung and Kwangsi. This will be assigned to the Minister of War, General Ho Ying-ching. General Chan Chal-tong, of Canton, will be appointed assistant to General Ho.

On returning home at 7 p.m. on April 7, Mrs. Rew, the tenant of the third floor of 160, Hennessy Road, found that thieves had entered the flat by wrenching the lock from the door. Ten days after, a District Watchman received information which resulted in his arresting two boys, aged 15 and 18 respectively. Articles of clothing stolen from Mrs. Rew's flat were recovered in pawnshops, and the two lads faced charges of the larceny before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning. It was stated that the younger of the two boys had been previously in the employ of Mrs. Rew, and that the other had a previous conviction for stealing. In binding over the younger lad, his Worship ordered him to read, his Worship ordered the other boy received four months.

PROBATES GRANTED.

THREE LOCAL ESTATES.

Local estate to the value of \$17,100, with net personality elsewhere amounting to \$3,097 10s. 6d., was left by the late Alice Matilda Hamilton, widow, late of No. 7, Queen's Parade, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, England, who died on August 17, 1931, at the Royal Nursing Home, Cheltenham. Re-issuing of certified copy of probate of the will has been granted to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacons, who is attorney for two daughters (executrices), Maud Hamilton and Evelyn Brookes (widow), both of Cheltenham.

Testatrix bequeathed her estate to the two executrices, another daughter, Constance Davey, and a son, Mr. A. V. Hamilton, of Victoria, British Columbia.

The late Li Tsau-po, otherwise Lee Chow-po, alias Li Postai, alias Li Shing-ho, merchant, who died at No. 28 Hill Road, on November 30, 1929, left local estate worth \$15,800. Probate of the will has been granted to Li Ng-chong, alias Li Tak-choi, second son and sole executor, of No. 61, Bonham Strand West. Requests are of a family nature.

Probate of the will of the late Wong Yin, alias Wong Chiu-ling, who died at Tai Po Ho village, Tai Shan District, Kwangtung, on or about October 20, 1931, leaving local estate valued at \$15,000, has been granted to Wong Un-shi, Wong Lau-shi, Wong Yuen-shi (widows) and Wong Yuen-tai, all temporarily living at No. 323, Reclamation Street, Mongkok. The will contains family bequests.

CAN WOMEN KEEP A SECRET?

A Morsel of Gossip.

ON the ground that women cannot keep secrets, the French Senate has just rejected a Bill designed to enable women to become notaries or solicitors. The French Bar admits women to membership as freely as does our own. The same objection was urged when women in this country were first permitted to practise as solicitors. Opponents of the innovation wildly asserted that secrets travel fast when entrusted to a woman, and that a solicitor incapable of holding her tongue would be a danger to everyone who consulted her.

And so, indeed, she would. I have no doubt that the ancient fallacy still enjoys considerable currency. But there have been women solicitors for nearly 10 years in Great Britain, and I have yet to hear that one of them has been guilty of betraying her client's trust.

Sense of Loyalty.

It may be urged that such reticence is simply the result of a stern, almost fanatical sense of loyalty to professional standards, and that were this to be weakened by boredom, or lack of grip, the most grisly family secrets and private embarrassments would not be safe when entrusted to a woman. A solicitor who babbles is an outrageous person. The first rule of the profession is never to divulge a confidence; the importance of this rule is so strongly impressed by daily experience upon a practising solicitor that even on a naturally garrulous and indiscreet are constrained to put curbs upon their tongues where a client's affairs are involved.

But these potential sources of danger—and they exist in every profession—are just as likely to be men. Not every private secretary is silent as the tomb, nor is every confidential servant of a business undertaking a perfect repository for confidences. Indiscretions, however, are not confined to one sex; and though in some respects women may refuse to merge themselves in a corporation as completely or as readily as men, there is little ground for supposing that they are less worthy to be entrusted with secrets.

Keeping a secret is, in fact, a very difficult matter. Tell no one anything which you do not wish to be repeated, is cynical advice; but most people very frequently in their lives are tempted to accept it as a working philosophy. "If one knows, it is a secret; if two, it is public," said a sufferer from a friend's indiscretion, and we all know people who are perfect conduits for matters which for one reason or another we do not choose to set in circulation ourselves.

Betrayal of a secret is rarely the result of malice. "I am telling you this in confidence," one may say. "You won't repeat it, will you?" And the promise of silence exacted, the titbit of scandal or the amusing story which puts a mutual acquaintance in a ludicrous light is poured into receptive ears. And the recipient of such a confidence is genuinely resolved not to divulge it; perhaps, if no opportunity presents itself while the story is fresh in his mind, the secret remains a secret.

But what usually happens is this. A silence falls between two people. One of them, trying desperately to think of something amusing, recalls the diverting story he has just been told in confidence. For a moment he or she hesitates. But to have heard this morsel of gossip will perhaps establish some claim to social distinction or for being in the swim. So scruples vanish and, prefaced by the conscience-salving formula, "This is between ourselves," the secret starts upon its travels again.

Now in such cases, when the motive for reticence is not professional loyalty but merely the common obligation of preserving a confidence, women are possibly more frequent offenders than men. Upon many women nothing weighs so heavily as a secret. Their own secrets are as burdensome as those of another, and they are never really at ease until they have shared the horrible incubus with a friend, who in the majority of instances is only too willing to play the role of sympathetic listener.

It is significant that in every age numerous women have had confidantes—poor relations or younger women from whom little more has been demanded than the capacity for looking interested and for holding their tongues. For a confidante who herself indulged in confidences would soon lose her place.

The Personal Note.

It is a commonplace that in conversation most women cannot for long avoid striking a personal note. Those massive generalisations and long discussions about tendencies in politics, commerce, sport, and a hundred other things, which keep men happy for hours, soon weary women. Their reaction to almost every question is anecdotal. They are bored by the general and excited by the particular instance. And when conversation enters the field of particular instances, the prospect of preserving secrets is dangerously remote.

But few men are guiltless in this respect. I have heard more shattering indiscretions from men guests at a dinner party than from women who, with bated breath and strict injunctions to eternal secrecy, have made me a confidant.

Yet the distinction between professional and private life is pretty well observed by both men and women. I am not, perhaps, an unprejudiced witness to the integrity of women solicitors. But I have listened with becoming deference to almost every kind of criticism of women's invasion of the legal profession, and it is many years since I heard feminine inability to keep a secret urged as an objection.

Women lawyers, women doctors, women secretaries are neither less nor more trustworthy than men. What indiscretions are exchanged when a woman solicitor and a woman doctor meet over a cocktail or a tentable I am not called upon to divulge. But I fear no contradiction in asserting that they are not professional secrets.

Those Nibs.

By PHIPPS.

THE bluntest instrument known to criminology is undoubtedly the post office pen.

It has been responsible, directly or indirectly, for some of the darkest pages of history.

Many a man traces his downfall back to that first telegram. Reminiscence stabs him—he sees himself, a curly-haired, bright-eyed boy, firm of step, godlike in the arrogance of youth, going into the post office to wire Uncle Arthur. And in bitter retrospect he sees himself emerge, two hours and twenty-seven minutes later, a stricken, disillusioned figure, with a blot on his escutcheon, and several on his trousers—a boy no longer!

Not only had he embraced the passions and vocabulary of Manhood, but he had left his duty but half done; for the wire to Uncle Arthur (14th edition) had read:

"Please, blot, scratch, blot, blot... arrives, scratch, not blot love blot."

It is with considerable surprise, therefore, that I find the G.P.O. has a conscience. In a recent announcement, the G.P.O. admits that it has for years been searching for the perfect nib, and it now believes it has found it.

A microscopic survey (confides the G.P.O.) of postmarked pens has produced some valuable data on the causes of their infirmity. The post (office) mortem shows that the ordinary steel nib gives up the

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"I guess I'm something of a disappointment to my mother. She always had her heart set on my being ambassador to Spain."

JAPANESE DAVIS
CUP SETBACK.STAR PLAYERS NOT
TO COMPETE.EXHIBITIONS IN
COLONY TO-DAY.

(By "Netcord")

Neither T. Harada nor R. Nunoi, who have been selected to represent Japan in the Davis Cup competition this year, will be making the trip to Europe, they informed me upon their arrival in Hongkong from Australia this morning.

Harada dropped an additional bombshell by stating that he has played his last game in international or any sort of competitive tennis, and has definitely decided to give up the game.

This, of course, is the reason for his declining the invitation of the Japanese L.T.A. to join the Davis Cup team this year, while Nunoi is prevented from figuring in the team through pressure of scholastic duties.

Looking very fit after their recent tour of Australia, where they figured in the team which lost the International Test competition, Harada and Nunoi arrived early this morning about the President Cleveland. They were met by Mr. C. P. F. James (Hon. Secretary of the L.T.A.) who immediately made arrangements with the players to appear in exhibition matches at the H.K.C.C. this afternoon.

It was when I branched the subject of the forthcoming Davis Cup tournament that I learnt of the decisions of the two players. Harada, in explaining why he had taken this unexpected step, said "I feel I have had enough of international tennis. I have been playing since 1924, and have decided to make this recent trip to Australia my last appearance in important tennis. I shall not take part in the future national championship of Japan, but will now definitely retire from the game."

Harada's New Sport.

"This is to be my new sport," he said, smilingly pointing to a bar of golf clubs in the corner of the cabin. "I play this game fairly well, having a 12 handicap in national golf and 10 in club golf. That, of course, is against par, not better."

"Yes, I am certainly taking to it seriously and shall compete in the Japanese national championships."

Nunoi, who is one of the youngest of the leading Japanese tennis players, expressed deep regret that school duties would not allow him to play in the Davis Cup this year, but added hopefully that he looked forward to doing so in 1933.

Both men were very impressed with Australian tennis, but considered McGrath, the Antipodes "boy wonder," to be slightly over-rated. "He is still very young," commented Harada, "and at the present time rather inclined to play to the gallery. We did not find him very difficult to beat."

While in Manila, the two players took part in the All-comers singles championship, a competition inaugurated by Mr. Dwight Davis, former Governor-General of the Philippines, and donor of the Davis Cup.

Harada and Nunoi won through to the final, but did not meet, Nunoi being forced to scratch as he was suffering from a severe chill.

I asked Harada what he thought of F. Aragon, the Philippine champion, who made such impressive appearances on local courts in 1930. Harada opined that he was rapidly declining and was nothing like the Aragon of three years ago. Although he still retained his brilliant strokes, he lacked stamina, and could not last a singles match as of yore.

To-day's Matches.

Harada and Nunoi, who has now fully recovered from his indisposition, very readily agreed to play in Hongkong during their 24 hours stay, and through the courtesy of the Hongkong Cricket Club, they will meet local players on the stand court this afternoon at 4 p.m.

The first match is a singles between Harada and S. A. Rumjahn, present champion of the Colony, followed by a doubles encounter between Harada and Nunoi and H. D. Rumjahn and E. C. Fincher.

Admission tickets will be obtainable at the entrance of the court, and there should be a large crowd to watch the matches.

Harada is, of course, well known in Hongkong, playing here in 1930 and on previous occasions, but Nunoi, of whom much is expected, is a newcomer, and his play will be watched with keen interest.

The Royal Observatory reports that a feeble anticyclone has developed over North China; an elongated depression is central over Korea. Local forecast: N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy.



Our picture shows the big statue of Goethe from the Tiergarten in Berlin, where the city of Berlin laid wreaths to commemorate the centenary of the great poet. Scenes from 'Faust' are being given in Hongkong to-morrow.

Y.M.C.A. LADIES'
NIGHT.FARCE AND DRAMA
PRESENTED.

So popular have recent Y. M. C. A. "Ladies' Nights" proved, that that function at the Kowloon Institution last night was exceptionally well attended, and the capacity of the west lounge was taxed to its utmost for the after-dinner entertainment. The feature of the programme was the "Faust" by the Association's Amateur Dramatic Society, which ran on two short plays.

It was an auspicious start for the Society, for the two plays ranged from the broadest farce to stark drama. A. A. Milne's well known "Man in the Bowler Hat" was highly successful, if the spontaneous laughter that greeted the man's witty lines could be taken as an indication. Filled as it was with a farce, the production was well timed and succeeded in maintaining the audience's interest right up to the sudden and unexpected finish.

F. V. Whittier, whose monologues have been a feature of many a concert lately, was the main source of the laughs in the part of the domesticated John, and coupled with Rhoda Fowler made everything of the stay-at-home couple. John T. Cook lent a good stage presence to the role of the hero, and added the highly baroque romantic element with Doris Puncheon. A. C. Jeffreys did the "heavy" in typical "blood-and-thunder" villain style and was aided and abetted in his schemes by Theo Ingram. The mysterious man in the bowler hat was S. A. Sweet.

A capable cast had a difficult task in front of them in presenting Richard Hughes' drama, "The Man Born to be Hanged," a morbid tale set in the dusk of a ruined cottage. Most of the work fell on the shoulders of S. M. West, who the Colony knows as a character artist of high order, and he was well supported by Kathleen P. Curtin and J. J. Ferguson. R. A. Bates made a lot of a small part and S. A. Sweet was again in a more-or-less mute part.

Both of the plays were well within the power of the company, and were exceptionally well produced by Mr. W. Robertson.

In addition to the dramatic side of the entertainment, a musical programme had been arranged by Mr. E. Baldwin, including a popular instrumental trio comprising Mrs. Schroeder (violin), Mr. L. Szente (violinello) and Mr. R. Baldwin (piano). They rendered tries by Haydn and Mozart.

Mrs. M. Portallion pleased with her contralto solos, "Hills of Denegal" and "Yours is my Heart's Delight" and Mr. J. W. Baldwin sang a bracket of Edward German numbers, "Dan Cupid's Garden" and "Yeomen of England."

ALARM AT AMOY.

COMMUNIST ARMIES.
APPROACHING.

Peking, Apr. 14. The Legations are receiving alarming reports from Amoy that communist armies are closing in on Chungchow, which is in imminent danger of capture. The Provincial Governor is preparing to resist, and is commanding all cars, carts and lorries for transportation of troops.

The British have been requested to despatch a gunboat for protection of their nationals, while Americans living on the mainland are crossing to Amoy for safety. Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Fatima.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—The object in not having this correspondence published in a local paper here in Macao was because many know the story that I intend to narrate. It is for this reason that I am requesting you to insert it for the benefit of the Catholics of Hongkong and elsewhere. Many of our readers may probably accept it with a certain reserve, in the absence of any miracle or miracles performed openly in the presence of authentic witnesses, and, others, being incredulous, very probably will jeer at me, calling me a crank, a heretic and all sorts of names. I am afraid there will be all sorts of controversy in the papers. Whatever opinions may come out into the light of day, the writer can only say take it for what it is worth.

In a humble house (No. 10, Rua Thomas Rosa, Macao) occupied by a family consisting of a pensioner of this Government, his long suffering wife (I use the phrase "long suffering wife" because she has been wearied in body in health for years and years, attending to her crippled husband and suffering misery on account of the small pension granted by the Government to her husband and having to depend on the kind charity of others (to keep the wolf from the door), a son, and a daughter. Our Lady of Fatima will it in Her Goodness of Heart to condescend to make several apparitions before the boy whose name is Alberto Pinto.

The father of the boy has been a cripple for seven or eight years. I may well confess that I had to use all sorts of persuasion to induce the boy to tell me his story verbatim. Even so, I had a lot of difficulty and I had to secure the aid of my wife to persuade the boy to put off his shyness and to come to the point. In this I had better luck and eventually he complied with our request with certain reluctance, and declared:

1. That Our Lady of Fatima had appeared before him on many occasions.
2. Our Lady of Fatima had shown her desire to have a Grotto with her statue erected in the middle of the garden, with the water of the well beside the Grotto for the benefit of those who may have faith and care to pray and ask for grace. This should be done and he ready before the 13th May. Would it not be a good opportunity for those who may care to see that the Grotto be erected in honour of Our Lady of Fatima before the 13th of next month to take a moving step to comply with Her wish? I am almost sure that many persons here, in Hongkong and elsewhere, will be glad to roll in and do something and to get a decent Grotto erected.
3. The water of the well seems to have certain curative properties, inasmuch as a certain Miss Catharina Mendes, who had a certain incurable malady, simply through her constant prayers and supplications to Our Lady of Fatima and also through drinking the water from the well, got considerably better than she actually was before. I may add here that the doctor who treated her for that particular malady, went so far as to suspend further prescriptions (believing no doubt that it was a case of incurable disease). I have been told that Catharina Mendes is entirely O.K. now.

4. Not only the writer, but many others have seen pictures of Our Blessed Lady of Fatima and various other Saints on the valance round the canopy of bedsteads. The short curtain, being in its place for a considerable time, changes colour through the effect of smoke and dust. However, the picture of Our Lady of Fatima remains clean and clearly visible to our eyes.
5. Joss Martins Bruno, Sergeant of Macao Water Police, some time ago, whilst on duty at the Harbour Office for the day, all of a sudden, felt something very unpleasant in his throat and could hardly speak. He was considerably worried. His wife gave him some water from the well (which she had in a small bottle kept at home), and, soon after all the bad symptoms disappeared completely. I need hardly say that Mr. Bruno became very much impressed. He can produce witnesses from this Harbour Office to corroborate what actually happened to him. Seeing that Mr. Bruno may be classified under the list of incredulous, and this story actually came from his lips, and, as he had also permitted me to make use of his statement to me, I am quite sure it may be taken for granted that it merits some close attention anyhow.

6.—Our Lady of Fatima had told the boy that his crippled father will be radically cured eventually. He must have a little more faith in Her. For the first week he must sleep in a sitting position during the night on a chair. In the second week he is permitted to sleep on his bed, this to continue for some time and he must also pray fervently and have every confidence in Her.
7.—Numerous non-Catholic Chinese have begged of the water from the well and invariably have produced good result.
It appears that the Ecclesiastical Authorities have so far declined to take a moving step to investigate the matter. I have nothing to say as to their attitude. Who knows sooner or later something may crop up? But until an actual miracle takes place, will the Ecclesiastical Authorities perhaps take a move in the right direction.
With all due respect to our Ecclesiastical Authorities, and without trying to invade them, or to encroach upon their prerogatives and also in the hope that they may take a moving hand in the right spirit, none can condemn me on the grounds that I am meddling with their affairs (no doubt they have special reason to keep in the dark; they know best what they are doing).
I may as well say that I shall not reply to any controversy that may appear in any papers in reply to my correspondence. As I have said in the beginning of this letter, readers of your papers should form their own opinion, either to believe or not to believe. You may take it for what it is worth. Yours, etc.

BRITAIN'S TRADE
RECOVER.

(Continued from Page 1).

present time, and workpeople had shown a tranquillity and determination unrivalled in the world. Britain might be accused of slipping off the gold standard and sacrificing the leadership of the financial world, but, as Lord Revelstoke had stated, while we have given up the leadership, nobody else has taken it up.

More People Employed.

From September 1930 to March, 1931, the number in employment diminished by well over a quarter of a million. From September, 1931, to the end of March, 1932, there had been an increase of nearly a quarter of a million in employment. This remarkable change showed that the country's position had improved by no less than 486,000 in employment.

While every other country showed a heavy decrease, Britain alone showed an increase in the number of persons employed.

Over 390 foreign manufacturers had, in the last nine months, contemplated the establishment of factories in Britain, whilst seventy British manufacturing firms were expanding their work or setting up new undertakings with the assistance of foreign experts.

New Factories Working.

In the last few months, production had started in forty-three of these factories built by manufacturers of many various nationalities and covering a wide range of industries, all of which were covered by the Importation Orders of last winter.

He thought he could prophesy that some result would follow from the very wide range of duties which had since been imposed. The iron and steel industry, coal, marine engineering and shipbuilding showed no material sign of improvement. Their condition was causing the greatest anxiety, and there appeared no chance of a revival until there was a marked revival in the world's trade.

Empire Trade.

Referring to the Ottawa Conference Mr. Runciman said they would go there with a sentiment strongly in favour of Imperial action. Britain had advantages to give the Dominions, and they had advantages to give us. The Government were already making considerable progress in the sort-out of industries in which tariffs could be conferred with the greatest advantage, and the Dominions, also working on their schedules, are examining the industries they think Britain can most help.

Any effort made to extend the trade of the Empire would not be on an exclusive basis, in the sense that it would shut Britain off from the rest of the world. Having made a secure position in Britain, the next stage was to extend trade within the Empire, to extend British trade along their channels throughout the world.—British Wireless.

CHELSEA DEFEAT
NEWCASTLE.CUP SEMI-FINAL
AVENGED.

London, Apr. 14. At Stamford Bridge to-day, in the First Division, Chelsea defeat, ed Newcastle (their conquerors in the F.A. Cup semi-final) by four goals to one.—Reuter.

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FRANCISCO REMEDIOS.
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7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records.
7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations, Mail Notice, etc.
7.03-7.33 p.m. Variety.
Orchestral-Song of the Soul.
Victor Salon Orchestra. 22466.
Whistling Solo-Listen to the Mocking Bird.

Chorus-Chant of the Jungle. 19804.
The Revelers. 22270.
Organ Solo-I'll Close My Eyes to the Rest of the World. 22243.
Jesse Crawford.

Song-Me Too. 20148.
Ger. Castin (Tenor). 20148.
Chorus-My Time Goes By.
Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees. 22773.

Vocal Duet-Searching For You in my Dreams. 22300.
Gene and Glenn. 22300.
7.33-8.00 p.m. Concert Waltzes.
Vienna Blood (Strauss).
Voices of Spring (Strauss).
Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky. 6903.
Dreams of Schubert. 35926.
Hungarian Rhapsody Orch. 35926.
Blue Danube (Strauss).
Josef Lhevinne (Pianist). 6840.
8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.30 p.m. Vocal Gems.
The Chocolate Soldier (Strauss).
The Merry Widow (Leon-Lehar).
Victor Light Opera Company. 35416.
Blackbirds of 1928 (McHugh-Fields).
Warren Mills and His Blue Serenaders. 35962.

Whoopee (Kahn-Donaldson).
The New Moon (Mandel-Hammerstein-Romberg).
Victor Light Opera Co. 35969.
8.30-9.10 p.m. Operatic.
Orchestral-Triana and Inaide (Wagner)-Prelude.
San Francisco Symphony Orchestra conducted by Alfred Hertz. 6586.
Song-Otello (Verdi)-Ave Maria.
Song-Otello (Verdi)-Willow Song.
Elizabeth Rethberg (Soprano). 7593.
Victor Light Opera Company. 35946.
Band-Selections from Medtela (Bolto, arr. Creator).
Band-Medtela-Prelogue (Bolto, arr. Creator).
Song-Faust (Gounod)-All Hail Thou Dwelling Lowly.
Song-Carmen (Bizet)-Flower Song.
Ginco Louri-Volpi (Tenor). 7589.
9.10-9.30 p.m.
Daphnis at Chloé (Ravel).
Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky. 7143-7144.

9.30-10.15 p.m. A Concert.
Negro Spiritual-Swing Low Sweet Chariot (arr. Burleigh).
Dame Nellie Melba (Soprano). 6733.
Violin Solo-Minuet (Bach-Winterhagen).
Violin Solo-Gavotte (Beethoven).
Fritz Kreisler. 1136.
Chorus-Storm on the Volga.
Russian State Choir. 9200.
Piano Solo-The Prophet Bird (Schumann).
Piano Solo-By the Brookside (Stojowski).
Ignace Jan Paderewski. 1420.
Song-Tavern Song (Watson-Fisher).
Song-The Green-Eyed Dragon (Newman-Charles).
Reinold Werrernath (Baritone). 1264.
Violin Solo-Caprice Antique (Balogh-Kreisler).
Violin Solo-Legend of the Canyon (Cadman). Fritz Kreisler. 1093.
Song-Lilly Dale (Thompson).
Song-The Hazel Dell (Root).
Olive Kline (Soprano) with Male Quartet. 4005.
10.15-10.27 p.m. Hawaiian Music.
Kaula-Medley.
Wionahale-Medley.
Royal Hawaiian Trio. 20281.
Kohala March.
Frank Ferera and John K. Paauhahi (Hawaiian Guitars). 20287.
10.27 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.
10.30 p.m. Close Down.
All records in the above European programme are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

THOSE NIBS.

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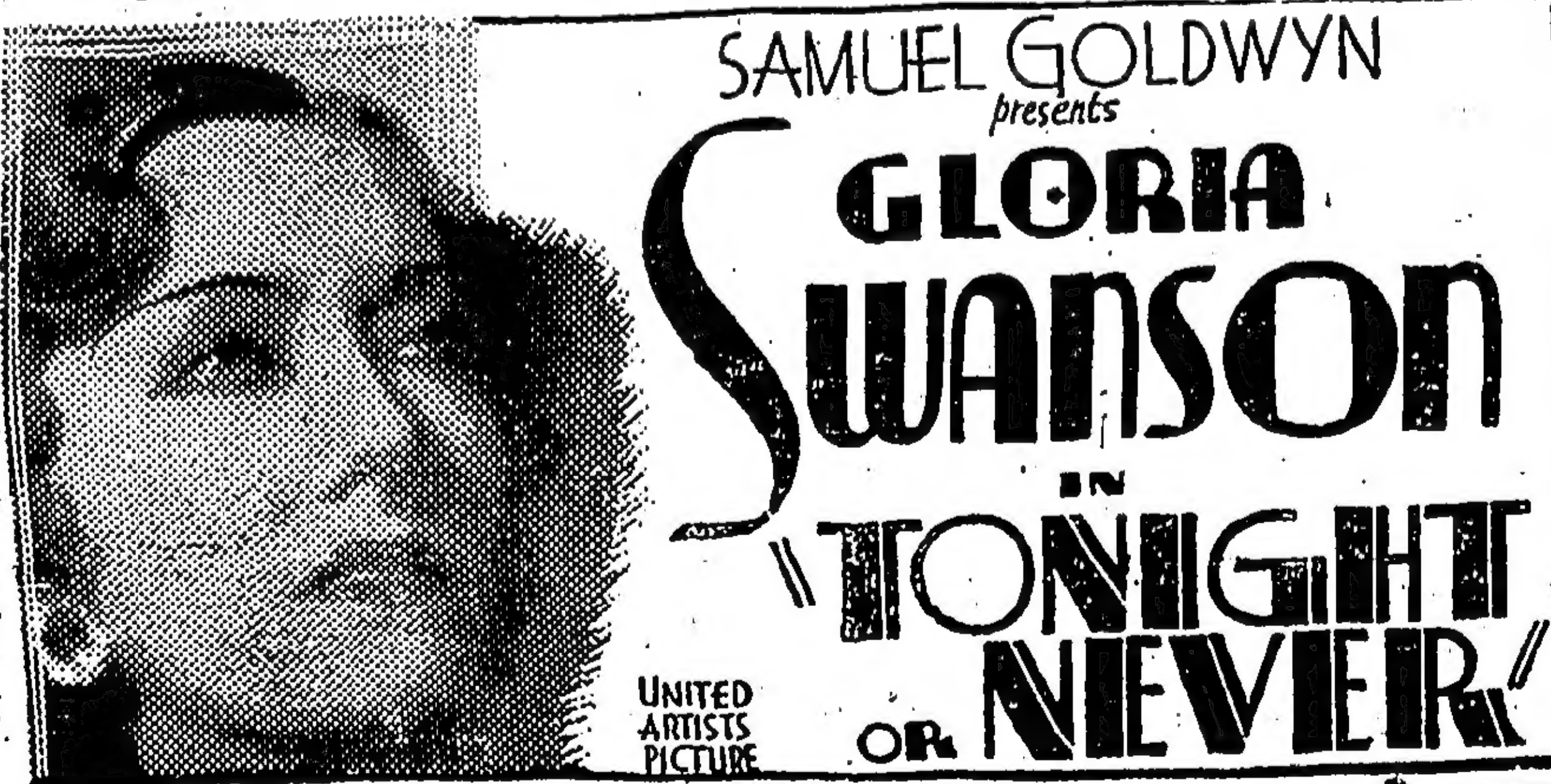
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STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

New Course.
10.28 L. H. Rawson, A. R. McEachran.
10.32 Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Wood.
Old Course.
9.10—9.20 not to be booked by travellers on 8.23 train.
9.24 W. R. Vallance, J. G. Campbell.
9.28 G. C. Vorrall, R. I. Cherill.
9.32 L. R. Andrewes, Hon. Comdr. G. F. H. Hole.
9.36 W. C. Shields, R. Young.
9.40 H. W. M. Duley, A. H. Harbord.
9.44 G. R. M. Robertson, R. M. Giddy.
9.48 G. T. May, R. E. Williams.
9.52 G. A. Cooper, E. H. Lorimer.
9.56 S. S. Cook, W. G. Lorimer.
10.00 H. R. Sturt, D. J. Lewis.
10.04 A. C. I. Bowker, Lt. H. C. Gould.
10.08 T. J. J. Fenwick, R. W. Taplin.
10.12 J. A. R. Selby, H. Lowe.
10.16 J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood.
10.20 Col. J. A. Renshaw, W. D. Hughes.
10.24 L. M. S. Lloyd, F. Syme Thomson.
10.28 E. Lisman, C. W. F. Booker.
10.32 J. C. Dunbar, G. W. Tolmie.
10.36 P. Grant, J. F. Robinson.
10.40 G. W. Green, J. W. Mayhew.
10.44 N. K. Littlejohn, G. H. Bond.
10.48 L. Yates, D. J. Fraser.
10.52 J. S. Dyke, S. S. Perry.
10.56 C. W. Jeffries, J. Coulthart.
11.00 H. M. Muir, A. McKellar.
11.04 H. N. Williams, P. L. Leefe.
11.08 I. H. Geare, W. D. Denham.
11.12 J. P. Sherry, A. G. Coppin.
11.16 A. Kidd, E. Kern.

HELENA MAY CONCERT

AFTER-DINNER MUSICAL PROGRAMME

Following is the programme arranged for the after-dinner musical to take place at the Helena May Institute to-night at 9 o'clock.
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino, Selected.
Mrs. G. G. Gigg, Mrs. M. Arnold and Mr. E. Schroter (Trio).
"Andante," Haydn.
Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpam, Grieg.
(a) "Solveig's Song."
(b) "Homage," Teresa Del Riego.
Mr. F. V. Whitta, Monologue.
Mrs. M. Portallion, Monologue.
(a) "Softly awakes my Heart," Samson and Delilah.
(b) "Now sleeps the Crimson Petal," Quilter.
Mr. W. H. Bailey, Keel.
(a) "Trade Winds."
(b) "Vagabond," Vaughan Williams.
The "Four B's," Selected Number, A. Gelbel.
Part II.
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino, Selected.
Mrs. G. G. Gigg, Mrs. M. Arnold and Mr. E. Schroter (Trio).
(a) Adagio, Schubert.
(b) Norwegian Dance, Grieg.
Mr. W. H. Bailey, Monologue.
(a) Even Bravest Heart (Faust).
(b) Two Grenadiers (Schumann).
Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpam and Mrs. M. Portallion, and
(a) Sing Joyous Bird, M. Phillips.
(b) Serenade, Schubert.
Mr. F. V. Whitta, Monologue.
Sir Walter Raleigh, Monologue.
The "Four B's," Selected Number.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY.

RADIO SPORTS PLAYING DURING WEEK-END.

The Radio Sports Club, winners of the Mumuk Shield, are again having a busy week-end, playing no less than three matches. To-day at 5.15 p.m. they will meet H.M.S. Vindictive on the Radio Ground at Caroline Hill, while to-morrow, at 3 p.m. they will play H.M.S. Cumberland, also on the Radio Ground. On Sunday, at 4 p.m. they are meeting the 3rd/9th Jat Regiment on the Marina Ground, Kowloon.
The following will represent the Radio in all three matches:—Jagcet Singh; P. Singh; J. Singh; Hanib, G. Jack, M. Singh; S. Singh, A. E. P. Guest, G. Singh, Kalwant Singh and F. A. Kemp. Reserves: H. Singh, Atta Singh and Alma Singh. Referee: J. T. K. Gledhill.
Ladies at Play.
The following will represent Hongkong Ladies in a match against Kowloon Ladies on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park to-morrow, at 4.15 p.m.:—J. Harris Walker, E. M. Gray, A. Nicol, E. Ross, B. M. Pope, C. Ferguson, H. Keith, M. Alun Jones, P. M. Harrop, A. G. Orme and E. Blackburn.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	96%	95.11/16
Geneva	10%	10%
Berlin	19.7/16	19.0/16
Oslo	215	215
Helsingfors	300	300
Athens	30.7/16	30.7/16
Buenos Aires	1.7.13/16	1.7.13/16
Shanghai	3.78%	3.77%
New York	9.31%	9.31%
Amsterdam	32	32
Vienna	49%	49%
Madrid	63.7%	63.7%
Bucharest	1.2/16	1.2/16
Hongkong	27.02	27.02
Brussels	73%	73%
Milan	18.5/16	18.5/16
Stockholm	127%	127%
Copenhagen	100%	100%
Prague	4%	4%
Lisbon	1.6/16	1.6/16
Rio	1.7/16	1.7/16
Bombay	1.7/16	1.7/16
Yokohama	1.7/16	1.7/16
Montevideo	4.19	4.19
Montreal	10%	10%
Silver (spot)	10.9/16	10.9/16
(forward)	10.11/16	10.11/16

—British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Banks, \$1560 b.
Chartered Banks, \$113 1/4 n.
Mercantile Banks, \$18 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am: O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.
Insurances.
Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$475 b.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fires, \$500 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.
Shipping.
Douglases, \$26 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$32 n.
Indo-China, (Pref.) \$23 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19 1/2 n.
Mining.
Benguets, \$14 b.
Kallans, 22/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Rauhs, \$38 b.
Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$142 1/2 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$200 1/2 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$4.85 b.
Hongkwa, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 5 1/4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 n.
Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.30 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11 1/2 n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels, \$13.30 b. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels, Rts. \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$78 n.
Metro Lands, \$10 n.
Shai Lands, Tls. 25 n.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Renties, \$11.50 b.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$30n.
Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.75 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.50 n.
Star Ferries, \$90 1/2 n.
China Lights, \$21.25 n.
H. K. Electric, \$74 b.
Macao Electric, \$24 1/2 n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.
Industrials.
Malabons, \$21 n.
Canton Ices, \$5 1/2 n.
Cements (com.), \$18.20 b.
Ropes, \$15 n.
Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$28.60 n.
Watsons, \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, \$3 1/2 n.
Der A. Wingo, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$5.30 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16 1/2 b.
Powells, \$3.65 n.
Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$23 b.
Entertainments (old), \$14.00 n.
Constructions (old), \$5.75 n.
Constructions (new), \$1.80 b.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 a.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58% n.
Loans, \$3 1/2 b. Prem.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

Markets took on a change for the better this morning, buyers being more in evidence, with rates inclined to be firmish.

Sales.

Hongkong Banks \$1555/1585
Union Insurances \$475
Providents (Old) \$4.80
Hongkong Realities \$11.05
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.35/15.40
Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$21
Hongkong Electric \$74
Telephones (P.P.) \$24.50
Canton Ices \$5.00

Buyers.

Hongkong Banks \$1560
Union Insurances \$475
Benguets \$14
Docks \$20 1/2
Providents (Old) \$4.85
Providents (New) \$2.20
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13.30
Hongkong Realities \$11.05
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.30
Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$20.50
Hongkong Electric \$74
Macao Electric \$24 1/2
Telephones (P.P.) \$24.50
Cements (Combined) \$18.20
Sinceres \$16 1/2
Amusements \$23
Constructions (New) \$1.80
Govt. Loans 3 1/2% Premium.
Chinese Estates \$59 1/2
Benguet Explorations 20 cents.

Sellers.

International Anco, Tls. 4.
China Lights (Old) \$21 1/2
Hongkong Electric \$74 1/2
S. C. Enterprises \$10
Constructions (Old) \$5 1/2

ANTI-NAZI DECREE.

VERY SLIGHT RESISTANCE. ENCOUNTERED.

Berlin, Apr. 14.
The swiftness of the Government's action has taken the Nazis by complete surprise.
The police raided the storm troops' offices and barracks, and seized warlike accoutrements, including an aeroplane. They encountered only a very slight resistance, disarming widespread fears that the coup could not be effected without bloodshed.
The only state which has not taken action is Brunswick, where the Minister of the Interior, Herr Kluge, is himself a violent Nazi.
—Reuter.

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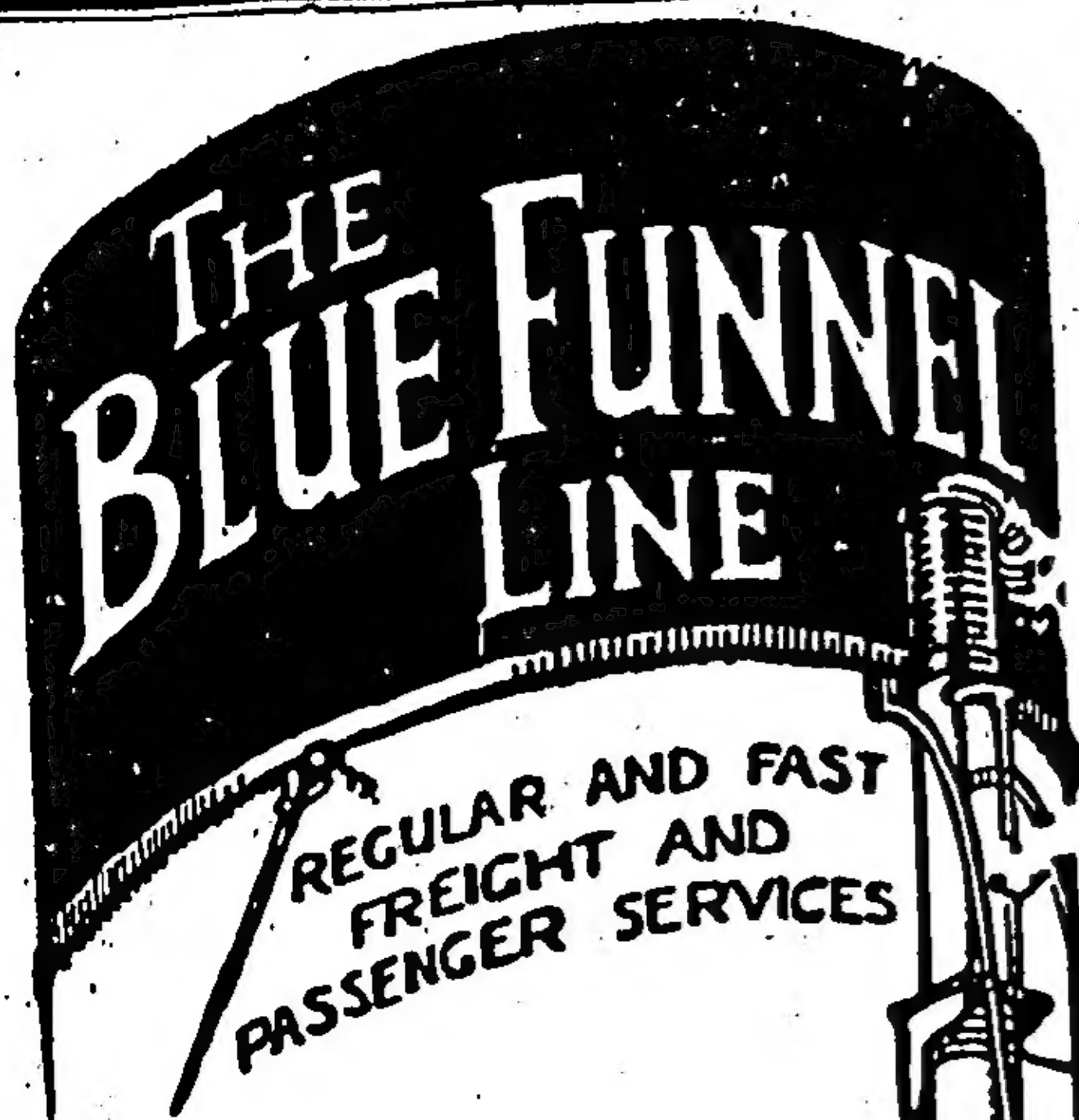
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LEAVES ON PIECE GOODS.

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as remuneration to the staffs of our members... uniformly as from 15th March. The Chamber has replied to this in similar terms, but pointing out that on certain incident business, which is worked on a bare 2½ per cent. commission basis, it is not practicable to allow discounts on fixed sterling prices, and therefore the Chamber was advising its members to decline to concede the request and, moreover, use the protective clause which I quoted just now.

To-day we have before us a new Piece Goods Contract which is seriously put forward through a local firm of solicitors, who announce that the Piece Goods Guild have decided for themselves the terms on which the Piece Goods Trade of the Colony is to be conducted henceforth. We are not even in courtesy asked to approve it, but merely to suggest a convenient date for its being brought into force! You have, no doubt, seen that contract, gentlemen, and I am sure you will agree that the terms are totally unacceptable.

That then, gentlemen, is briefly the position to date, excepting that the Sundries Guild have since passed a further "resolution" increasing the levy on certain goods—blankets to wit—from one-half per cent. to one per cent. Next month the rates may be increased. We don't know!

Chamber's Standard Contract.

Now I want to tell you briefly something of the history and origin of the Chamber's standard form of fancy piece goods contract. Some of you will doubtless remember the circumstances, but it will do no harm to refresh our memories. This contract was really the direct outcome of a request by Chinese merchants to unify the terms of sale. They complained that some importers' contracts had as many clauses and conditions as a present-day Bill of Lading, whilst others were practically devoid of any conditions whatever. They produced certain contracts containing about 20 to 30 different clauses and conditions, and others with none at all!

So the Chamber set about drafting a standard form, which would be fair to all, and on which all merchants could buy as well as sell. The main object was to cover the essential points, and to arrive at a satisfactory basis. I can assure you that it was no easy task, since one merchant wanted one thing and another something else, but we did finally arrive at a basis and we said to the importer, "You may add any other conditions you like, but your contract should at least contain the Chamber's basic conditions".

Accepted Locally.

Not only was the Chamber's standard form accepted by the local merchants and importers, but after protracted negotiations the general terms were also accepted by the Manchester, Bradford and other Chambers, and what are now known and accepted universally as "China Contract Terms" are thoroughly understood.

Obviously a merchant must buy and sell on the same terms; that it to say, he can't give to his buyer all sorts of concessions or different conditions which are unobtainable from his supplier, unless of course he calculates his additional risks and charges accordingly. Therefore I say, gentlemen, that standard terms, which are universally accepted by the trade are of the highest possible value, and form the only satisfactory basis on which a large trade can be successfully maintained.

I think I can say without fear of contradiction that the Chamber's standard form of contract has been a boon both to their clients, and has proved a hardship to none. I do not say that it is perfect, but we are ready at any time, when reasonable suggestions are made for improvement, to consider them.

Trade Disorganised.

The contract now put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild is not reasonable. We do not know who are chiefly responsible for these recent demands, but we have every reason to believe that many dealers are not in favour, and in some cases are actively opposed to the proposals. Nevertheless its issue has disorganised the trade for the past week or ten days and entirely unnecessary losses have been sustained by both importers and dealers.

Gentlemen, the function of this Chamber is to protect and promote honest and profitable trading for all, and I feel we would be lacking in our duty if we did not take a strong stand against destructive action by the Local Guild!

With these remarks, gentlemen, I will proceed with the first of three resolutions which are before you, and after the proposal has been seconded, it will be open for discussion. I beg to propose: "that this representative meeting of importers is unanimously of opinion that the Form of Contract put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild is totally unsuitable and unacceptable to the trade, and that the present Standard Form of Fancy Goods Contract will be adhered to and remain the only accepted basis of future transactions until amended by general consent."

"A One-Sided Contract."

Mr. J. A. Plummer, Chairman of the Piece Goods Sub-Committee of the Chamber, said: I rise formally to second the resolution which you have just proposed, and in doing so I can safely say that I fully concur with all our Chairman has said.

The Guild has not asked us to consider their proposals or rather demands, but we are expected to swallow the contract whole. The Guild, moreover, seems to be under the impression that it can, by simple resolution of its members, make levies, and impose conditions, which must of necessity be accepted by the trade, and I feel that this meeting should impress upon them strongly that they do not possess any such arbitrary powers.

No reasonably-minded merchant or dealer desires a one-sided contract, and I have the best reason for believing that a very large number of dealers do not favour the proposed innovations, but realize that they are impracticable and unsound.

I have no hesitation, therefore, in asking you to support this resolution, which I hope will be passed unanimously and without (Continued on Page 11.)



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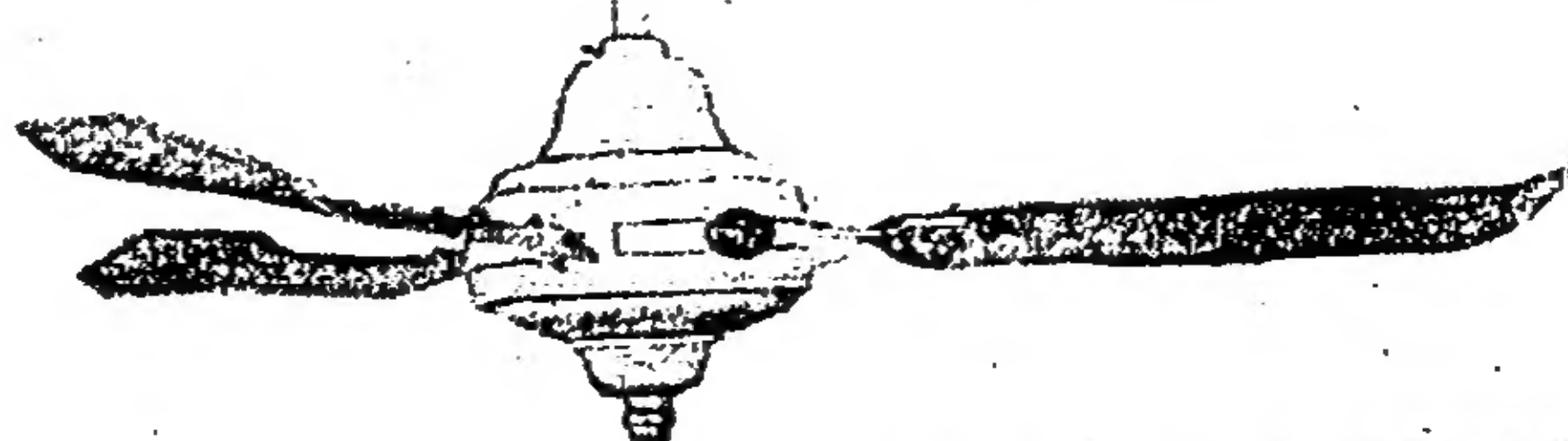
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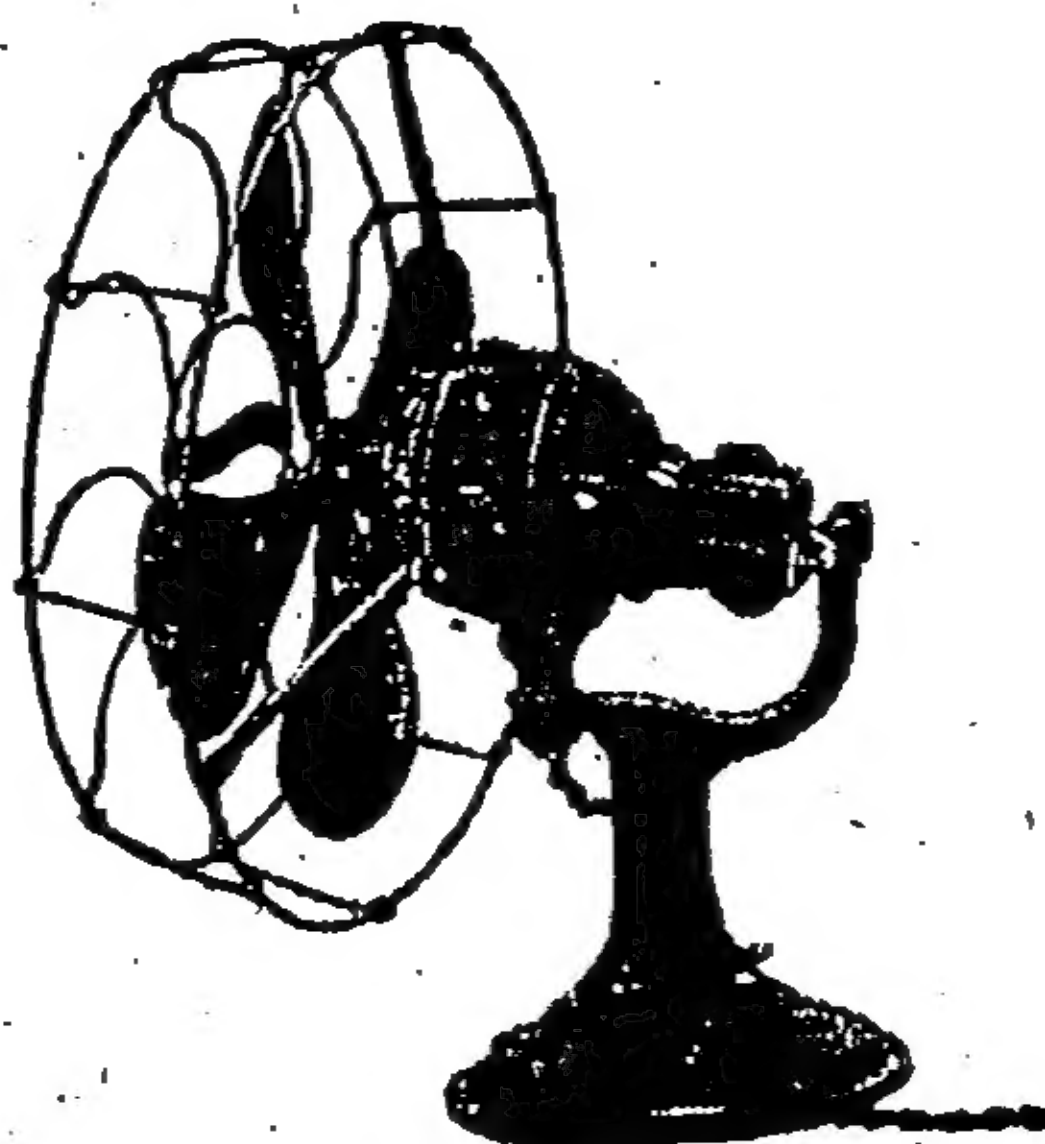
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LEAVES ON PIECE

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discussion. The resolution which follows will give you ample scope for expressing any opinions you may have regarding the Guild's Contract or any modification of the Chamber's standard form, and as Chairman of this Piece Goods Sub-Committee, I shall greatly welcome a free and full expression of your views. I beg to second the resolution.

The resolution was carried.

Second Resolution.

The Chairman then moved the following resolution:—"That a Committee be appointed to consider, and if found advisable to revise, the Chamber's Standard Form of Fancy Piece Goods Contract, with a view, if possible, to making it a standard for all Textiles."

He said: I would suggest that this meeting leave it to the Chamber of Commerce to appoint a small and experienced committee to carry out the actual revision of the Contract, with authority to consult all interests concerned, as well as to take legal advice.

Importers themselves, I understand, are aware of three or four details in respect of which the present contract could, from their point of view, be improved, and they would like it to cover all textiles, and as far as possible, to be brought into close agreement with the "China Contract" of the Manchester and Bradford Chambers. Importers will then be selling on the same terms as those on which they buy.

To Meet Guild's Views.

We shall hope to have the benefit of the views of the Piece Goods Guild and of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce as to the amendments of the existing contract which are desirable from their point of view, and shall do our best to meet them. Finally, it is to be hoped that an agreed date for the coming into force of a revised contract will be mutually agreed by importers and the Guild.

The Chamber of Commerce will keep merchants informed and they will be asked to attend a meeting later on to approve, or otherwise, the contract as revised.

Meanwhile, I would urge all concerned to continue to trade on the terms of the present standard contract, because revision must necessarily take some time. The Manchester and Bradford Chambers, for example, will need to be consulted on some points.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin Supports.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin seconded the resolution. He said: I have much pleasure in seconding the resolution which has just been proposed. I dare say that a contract of 10 years' old may not be suitable now, and consequently may require some changes, but it must be *quid pro quo* to be fair and just, and be acceptable by both sides.—(Hear Hear.)

I understand that the Piece Goods Guild earnestly desires certain modifications in the present method of trading and I am glad to learn that importers have every desire to meet them in a friendly discussion of their views.

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Discussion being invited, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson said: There is one point which occurs to me. I think we might very well send in a full report of these proceedings and of all that led up to them, to the Colonial Secretary. It cannot do any harm and it may prevent the Government from getting a somewhat distorted story as there is always that danger.

There are certain things about the proposed new contract which really rather amaze me, and one is the last clause, whereby in a British Colony, under British law, it is suggested that, there being two texts—one British and the other Chinese—the Chinese text shall rule. That strikes me as quite an extraordinary thing in a place which is a British Colony and not a satrapy of China.—(Applause.)

The Chairman said that Mr. Paterson's suggestion would be adopted.

The resolution was carried.

Guild's Action Deplored.

The Chairman, in moving the third resolution, said it would not be necessary to speak to it as he had covered it very fully in his opening remarks. The resolution was: "That this general meeting of Importers deplores the recent action of certain Local Guilds in endeavouring to enforce levies on the Import Trade of the Colony, and strongly recommends all Merchants to resist payment wherever possible."

Mr. J. Owen Hughes seconded the resolution. He said he felt sure that Importers would fully endorse its terms; in particular they would deplore the action of the Po Yick Guild in presenting its demands. He contended that such levies were entirely wrong in principle. The object of these exactions in no way concerned importers, but he, for one, very much objected to perpetuating a system of trading which was entirely alien to British methods.

Placating Employees.

With the experience of another Guild before them, it was surprising that the Po Yick Guild should make this attempt at placing the responsibility of placating their employees on the shoulders of importers. In the case he had in mind the movement began a few years ago with a very small commission and it had grown up to no less than two per cent of the purchasing price having

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"Ellen's got a fellow! Ellen's got a fellow!" chanted Mike, catching belatedly the excitement of his elders.

"Be still, Mike," said his mother absently. "Don't tease your sister."

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(To be Continued.)

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to be given up to the Guild's employees.

Finally, he said he considered that a levy of this nature would be a direct hindrance to the trade of the Colony. Importers were well aware that similar demands were constantly being made in some of the coast ports. He hoped the meeting would agree that it was the duty of all importers to see that trade was not allowed to degenerate into the impossible conditions which obtain in some of the neighbouring ports.—(Applause.)

There being no discussion, the resolution was put to the meeting and declared carried *unanimously*.



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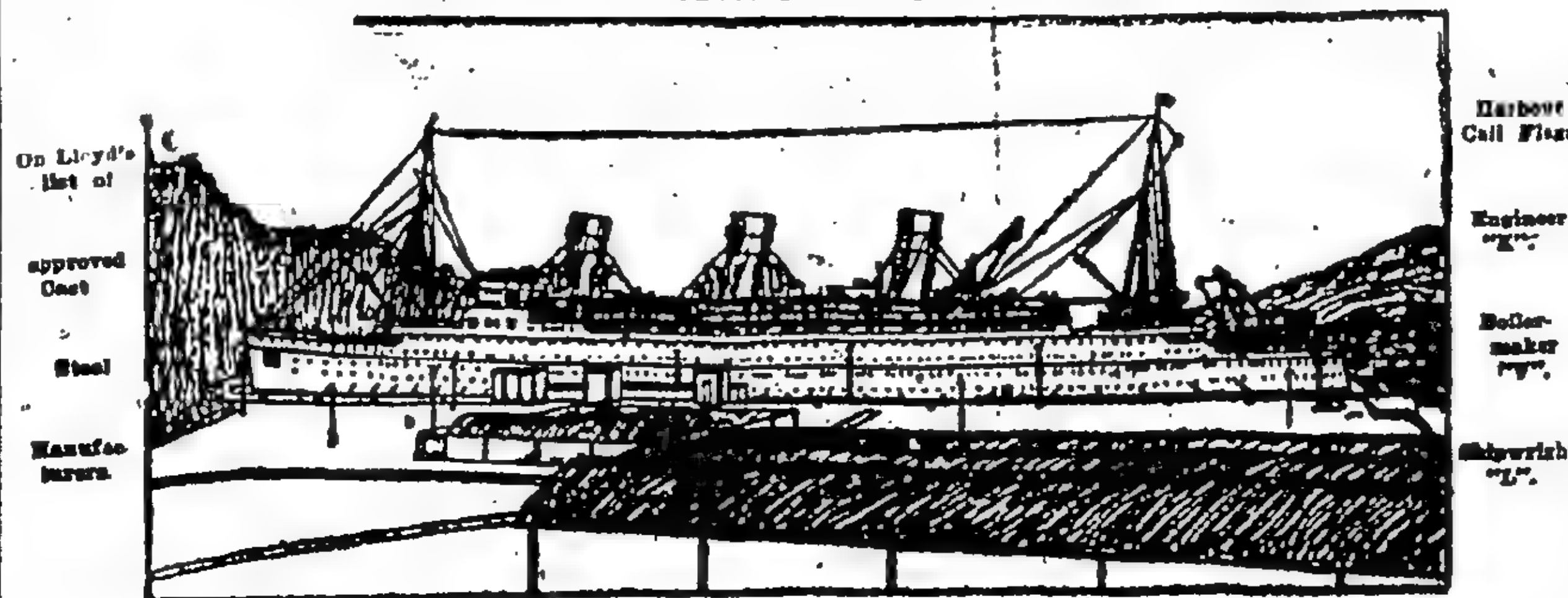
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RANCHI	17,000	5th May.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
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EMPIRE DAY IN HONGKONG.

APPEAL TO BUSINESS FIRMS.

We have received the following letter from Lady Peel for publication:

Sir.—In connexion with the special efforts which are being made for the observance of Empire Day this year, the 24th May, the Hongkong Empire Day Committee appeal to local firms to utilise their advertising space in the newspapers, for a period of about a week prior to Empire Day, for the purposes of bringing to the notice of the public the products of the Mother Country and the Overseas Dominions; and, where possible, to give special window displays of such products.

The Committee would also like business houses and private residences to fly the Union Jack on Empire Day.

I feel sure that this appeal will meet with a worthy response.—Yours faithfully,

VIOLET PEEL.

MOTOR CYCLIST FINED.

DANGEROUS DRIVING IN KOWLOON.

At the instigation of Mr. W. Thompson, A.S.P. (K.), a youth named Chang Tai-chai was summoned before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for dangerous driving at Nathan Road on March 30.

Mr. Thompson informed his Worship that at about 2.25 p.m. on the day in question he was driving along Nathan Road, and whilst approaching Dundas Street, defendant who was riding motor cycle No. 128, with a passenger on the pillion, shot out. Defendant was about 20 yards from Mr. Thompson when the latter first noticed him and was about five yards off when both vehicles had drawn to a halt.

Asked if he had anything to say, defendant said he thought the road was clear.

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Their task is, however, by no means an easy one. No team knows better than the Rangers how fickle Cup fortunes can be and it may be taken for granted that Kilmarnock, who beat the Rangers 2-0 in the Final of 1928-29, will not be intimidated by the size of their task.

Are Rangers Stale?

They are taking comfort from the fact that they are to-day playing as well as ever they did at any time this season, while the Rangers appear to be going stale as a result of the strain of trying to achieve the double of winning both championship and Cup.

The match will present a distinct clash of styles. The Rangers are exponents of the classic passing style. Kilmarnock play a more dashing game, taking the quick route for goal, typical Cup soccer.

BUS SCHEDULE NOT KEPT.

PROPRIETOR BOUND OVER.

The case in which Mr. S. T. Louey, proprietor of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, was summoned for failing to maintain a ten-minute schedule between the Star Ferry Wharf and Lai-chikok on March 25 was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. Fraser.

It will be recalled that the summons was instigated by Mr. W. V. Curless, of Sheungshawan, who alleged that he had to wait for a No. 2 Bus from 6.03 to 6.27 p.m. on March 8 at Public Square Street.

At this morning's proceedings, his Worship convicted Mr. Louey, and bound him over in a sum of \$200 for 12 months.

SQUATTERS STILL STUBBORN.

POLICE ASSIST IN OUSTING THEM.

Last night there was another raid on the squatters of Wong-nichong, when the assistance of the police had to be enlisted by P.W.D. officials to dislodge a group who had settled on land immediately below the Jockey Club stables, on the identical spot where a disastrous fall of earth last year killed four squatters.

From time to time the matter had recurred as a source of worry for the authorities, but just as often as these squatters were thrown out, they have returned to the spot. Their attitude, amounting to sheer cussedness, according to one official, was again obvious in the latest case, an overseer, Mr. R. E. Stott, complaining to Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning that all his efforts had been laughed at by the villagers.

Four men and four women were taken into custody in last night's raid, and were charged before the Magistrate with trespassing, on Crown land.

Two of them were stated to be right beneath the embankment which slipped last year with such disastrous consequences, and which now again showed signs of danger, according to information received by the Public Works Department.

In the case of a number of the other defendants, Mr. Stott stated that they had been permitted to occupy another piece of ground, but had made such a mess of it that the Department had decided to let the area out to a gardener. The latter was not enjoying his full privileges; he was being intimidated by the squatters.

Mr. Schofield (to the defendants):—If you persist in squatting there, I give warning now that this summer you may be buried under the earth and die like the people did last year. The Public Works Department has given you ample time to leave the place. I will make the fine \$5 or ten days.

His Worship also made an order that the huts were not to be re-erected.

U.S. BASEBALL.

New York, Apr. 14. To-day's baseball resulted as follows:

National League.	American League.
Cincinnati 5	Chicago 3
St. Louis 4	Pittsburg 5
Detroit 3	Cleveland 1
Chicago 0	St. Louis 3

An unknown Chinese was seriously injured at 8.30 a.m. to-day in trying to jump off a moving motor-bus at Salisbury Road, Tsimshatsui. The bus was bound for the Star Ferry at the time. The man was removed to hospital suffering from a fractured skull.

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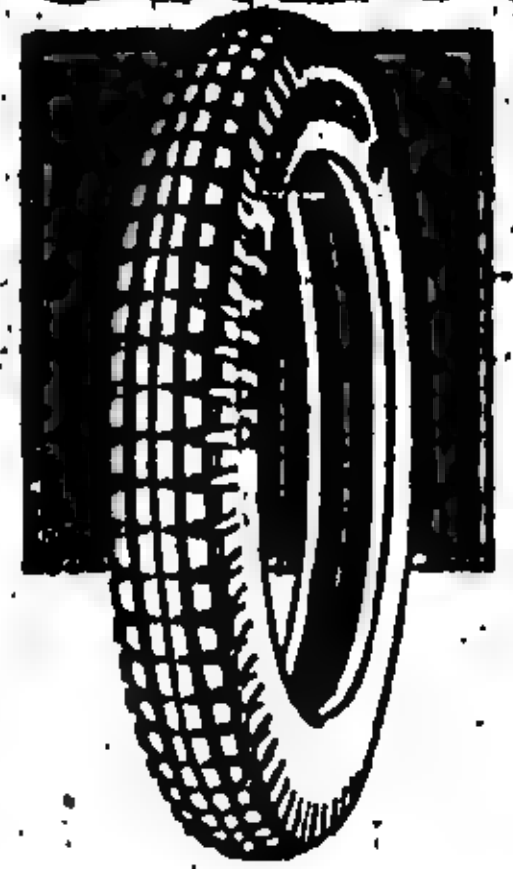
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LOCAL GAOL ESCAPE.

MYSTERIOUS GET-AWAY.

The escape of yet another prisoner from Laichikok Gaol during last night is engaging the attention of the authorities.

It is understood that the prisoner managed to work loose one of the iron bars of the cell-window and to tear away the barbed wire immediately outside the window. The scaling of the wall which surrounds the gaol offered little difficulty.

Only a brief message notifying Police Headquarters of the man's escape has been received from the gaol authorities. This indicates that the man disappeared some time during the night but that his escape was not discovered until this morning. It is not known precisely when the get-away was effected, but it was not until 6.10 a.m. that it was found he was not in his detention cell.

Alleged Communist.

The prisoner, whose name is Keung Siu-ling, was not a convict but was detained under the Deportation Ordinance. He was arrested early this month for alleged Communist activities and on April 5 was admitted to the Laichikok Prison for detention, pending deportation.

As such he was not dressed in prison clothes but was allowed to retain his own garments, and was detained in a cell distinct from those housing convicts.

According to the police message, the prisoner was dressed in dark civilian clothing without shoes or socks.

GOVERNMENT AND NUDISTS.

NO REPLY YET TO APPLICATION.

APPEAL TO LONDON IF REFUSED.

Though it has been rumoured that an unfavourable reply has been received, the Hongkong Nudist Society is still awaiting the Government's decision regarding the application for the lease of an island for the practising of the nude cult. The only reply yet received, on April 4, stated that the Government were giving the matter consideration.

In the meantime, the Society, according to Mr. H. E. Laneport, the Hon. Secretary, is not at all anxious about the outcome of the Government's deliberations on the subject.

"It is the duty of the Government to dispose of Crown land," he said this morning, "and they can only refuse such an application upon the strongest grounds of illegality, which cannot be applied to our movement, for it is already world-wide."

"If we should be refused, we shall appeal to the British Parliament. We feel that the people need this cult. We have only the clergymen in opposition, but we know that the workers feel the desire for greater health and the necessity of the movement."

"We feel sure that we have the doctors on our side, for they are all at the present time advocating more fresh air, which is subtle propaganda for the nude cult."

WIDOW COMMITS SUTTEE.

NINE MEN ARRESTED AS ACCOMPLICES.

Patna, Apr. 14.
Nine men of Thakur, a caste village of Kandauli, were arrested to-day and are to be charged with aiding a widow to commit suttee. Police witnesses depose that they saw a widow on her dead husband's funeral pyre.—*Reuter.*

FIERCE FIGHTING AND LOOTING.

HUNDREDS OF CIVILIANS INJURED.

ASTOUNDING SCENES.

GRAVE RIOTING, IN WHICH HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WERE INJURED AND CONSIDERABLE PROPERTY DAMAGE WAS DONE, OCCURRED YESTERDAY AT AUCKLAND, THE LARGEST CITY IN THE NORTH ISLAND OF NEW ZEALAND.

Marines had to be landed from H.M.S. Philomel, the British light cruiser attached to the New Zealand Division stationed at Auckland, before a semblance of order was restored.

For some time, the situation was completely out of control, amazing scenes, unprecedented in the history of New Zealand being witnessed.

The trouble began with a clash between unemployed and police at the conclusion of a procession of civil servants who were demonstrating against the cuts in salary which were recently ordered.

FIERCE RIOTING AND LOOTING.

The spark which set the conflagration going was apparently resentment among the unemployed. In a flash almost, fierce rioting broke out, quickly developing into a wholesale outbreak of window-smashing and looting.

In the course of the remarkable affray, hundreds of civilians and twenty-three policemen were injured. When it was observed that the mob was quite out of control, marines from the Philomel were summoned to quell the disorders, and eventually restored a semblance of order.

Twenty arrests had been made at the time Reuter's message was sent. The damage is estimated to exceed £100,000.

DOLLAR REMAINS UNCHANGED.

SILVER SLIGHTLY DECLINES.

Silver is slightly down in London, but the Hongkong dollar remains unchanged at 1s. 2 3/8d. The local market is steady, although the undertone is still inclined to be on the easy side.

Silver dropped 1/8th in London, spot and forward. Speculators sold, while China bought at the decline. The market closed

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No country appears to be immune from unemployed riots in these troublous times. The above picture was taken in London a week or two ago and shows police charging an unruly crowd of demonstrators. Over forty were injured.

ANGLO-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP.

London Welcomes Mr. Mellon.

KING'S MESSAGE.

London, Apr. 14.
"All the world, particularly Americans, have watched with admiration the heroic manner in which the government and the people of Great Britain have faced their difficulties," declared Mr. Andrew Mellon, new American Ambassador, in a speech at the Pilgrims Dinner this evening.

"The British people have not hesitated to add to their already heavy burdens in order to meet their responsibilities towards each other and the world."

Corner Turned.

Mr. Mellon declared that he was impressed by the feeling that Britain had turned her most difficult corner and had the situation in hand.

Sir John Simon, replying, said that Anglo-American feeling was never more friendly than it was to-day and Britain was firmly resolved to cultivate that happy relationship and to use it for the benefit of the whole world.

Prince's Speech.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, addressing the gathering, said that the appointment of Mr. Mellon as America's Ambassador in Britain was a great gesture on the part of the American people.

It could not fail to strengthen mutual faith and hasten us to tackle the problems besetting us. His Majesty the King, in reply to a Loyal Message from the Pilgrims, expressed pleasure in associating himself with the welcome to Mr. Andrew Mellon.—*Reuter.*

BRITAIN'S TRADE RECOVERY.

GREATEST IMPETUS SINCE 1921.

IMPORT DUTIES.

London, Apr. 14.
The operation of the Abnormal Imports Orders has given British industries their greatest impetus since 1921, declared Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, in a review of the encouraging results in the House of Commons to-night.

Although the unemployment figures were still shockingly high, employment in Britain had uniquely increased by half a million in the past twelve months.

In the course of his speech, Mr. Runciman said Britain was the most highly industrial country in Europe, with commercial activities still the greatest in the world. Britain's trade with Europe represented, until recently, nearly one-third of her foreign trade, but there had been a great shrinkage of European traffic.

Imports Kept Down.

Britain might have suffered more but for the action taken since last August, and they could look back on the effect of that policy with some satisfaction. The import of large quantities of goods with which the country could most easily afford to dispense had been cut down, and the expenditure on non-essentials brought from abroad had been harpoured for more pressing needs.

The Abnormal Imports Orders of last winter appeared to have kept down imports by at least £20,000,000 directly and £10,000,000 or £17,000,000 indirectly. In the West Riding of Yorkshire, there was greater activity than for years past, the mills having ceased short-time work and many of them were working overtime. There were signs of a revival in some, although not all, branches of the cotton trade. The manufacture of electrical machinery was regaining its foreign market as well as retaining its home customers.

If the measure of activities of British trade was taken on exports alone, it would be found that Britain had suffered less from world shrinkage than any other country.

Other Countries Suffer.

The decrease in the first quarter of this year was £11,000,000 below that of the first quarter of last year, but whereas our diminution had been 11 points, the United States shrinkage, taken over the whole three months, amounted to more than 35 per cent. Germany fell 21 per cent. France 33, and the Netherlands over 34.

British industries had adapted themselves to the needs of the (Continued on Page 7.)

BROKER FOUND SHOT.

OLD RESIDENT OF SHANGHAI.

FRIGHTENED BOY'S LONG VIGIL.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

Mr. Arthur E. Stewart, a broker and one of the oldest and best-known residents of Shanghai, was found shot dead in his home at No. 43, Kiaochow Road, on Wednesday night.

At the inquest yesterday afternoon, a somewhat remarkable story of how an alarmed "boy" searched for Mrs. Stewart without success and of how it was three hours after the shooting before the police were informed, was related.

It appears that at about 9.25 p.m. the "boy" heard a shot and on going to his master's bedroom on the first floor, found him seated in a chair. He was already dead.

Search For Mrs. Stewart.

As Mr. Moore, who lives in the same house, was not at home, the "boy" proceeded to the French Consulate to search for Mrs. Stewart, who was out playing bridge, and failing to find her, returned, sitting on the doorstep until the arrival of Mr. Moore, not knowing what to do.

Mr. Moore stated that he returned after midnight and found the "boy" outside waiting. He immediately went upstairs and found Mr. Stewart shot through the right temple. A .38 Webley revolver was lying on the floor alongside him.

Inquest Adjourned.

The police were summoned and the inquest opened at the Mortuary yesterday, before Mr. Haines.

Dr. Burton gave evidence as to the cause of death and Mr. Moore identified the body.

The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday of next week.

JAVA SEAPLANE TRAGEDY.

CRASH DURING A NIGHT TRIAL.

Sourabaya, Apr. 15.

Three non-commissioned officers are reported to be missing from a seaplane which crashed during night trials.

The machine caught fire after striking the water.

There were four N.C.O. occupants of the ill-fated machine and one of them was rescued, though he is seriously injured.—*Reuter.*

LONDON SOCCER SENSATION.

GALLACHER AND LAW GOING ABROAD.

London, Apr. 14.

Something of a sensation has been created in London soccer circles by an official announcement from Nimes, France, that Hugh Gallacher and Law, Chelsea's famous international centre-forward and left back respectively, have been engaged by the Nimes Sporting Club.

The players have arranged to arrive in Nimes on May 4 or 5 and will start playing for the Nimes Sporting Club next season.—*Reuter.*

ARMISTICE FAILURE.

JAPAN TO GIVE NEW EXPLANATION.

Geneva, Apr. 14.

It is learned from Japanese quarters that the difficulty of admitting Dr. Wellington Koo into Manchuria as the Chinese Assessor on the League Commission of Inquiry persists.

On Lord Lytton's declaration that Dr. Koo accompanied the Commission or the Commission does not go, no comment is made.

Death Threat.

Japanese circles further reason that the failure of the Shanghai armistice negotiations was because the Chinese plenipotentiary (presumably Mr. Quo Tai-chi is referred to) was threatened by death by Chinese students if he signs a dishonourable armistice.

The plenipotentiary, according to the Japanese, has taken refuge in a hospital in the French Concession on a plea of illness.

Serious Submission.

Reuter's Geneva correspondent understands that the Japanese member of the Assembly Committee of Nineteen will submit to the meeting of the Committee on Saturday, the foregoing explanation of the failure of the negotiations.—*Reuter.*

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CHELSEA DEFEAT NEWCASTLE.

CUP SEMI-FINAL AVENGED.

London, Apr. 14.

At Stamford Bridge to-day, in the First Division, Chelsea defeated Newcastle (their conquerors in the F.A. Cup semi-final) by four goals to one.—*Reuter.*

U.S. BASEBALL.

New York, Apr. 14.

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Original bids of one no trump, showing a definite count—no biddable suit and at least two quick tricks.

Two Bids.
Original bids of two of a suit are absolute demand bids and require partner to keep the bidding open until a game declaration is arrived at even with a trickless hand.

Original bids of two no trump, showing the four suits stopped, and while the hand may contain a biddable four-card suit, it is not strong enough to make an original demand two-bid.

Three Bids.
Original bids of three of a suit, showing a hand not strong enough to make an original forcing bid of two but a hand that will probably produce game with one in-hand in partner's hand. It further shows that there is no desire to play the hand at no trump and normal support is not necessary.

Original bids of three no trumps show all suits doubly stopped and invites a slam. It is a type of hand very seldom held. In most cases, it is better to open these hands with original forcing suit bid of two.

Four Bids.
Original suit bid of four is purely a pre-emptive bid. It shows great length in trump and little or no defensive strength but will take about eight tricks.

Naturally the type of biddable hands most frequently held are original suit bids of one. While original bids of one are in no way forcing bids, under the straight forcing system partner is required to keep the bidding open when holding at least a trick and a half.

Partner's Response

To Original One Bids.

When partner has made an original bid of one no trump, you will raise partner's one no trump to two no trump with combined count of 22 and to three no trump with a combined count of 24; or holding a biddable suit and a half, you will show your suit.

When holding a strong biddable suit and at least two and one-half quick tricks, you will bid one no trump necessary which is a forcing bid and requires partner to bid again; e. g. partner bids one no trump and you hold hearts A J 10 7 3 and a side A and side K, your proper response is three hearts to show partner a hand that you think game can be made on.

When partner has made an original suit bid of one and you hold one and one-half quick tricks and normal support in partner's bid, you will raise partner's bid and you should give partner the full extent of your hand at once; e. g. partner bids one heart and with your hand you know that even if partner has a minimum holding, you can make at least three hearts at once and then if partner has additional strength, he will go to four hearts.

Not holding normal support, you will deny by bidding one no trump. Again if you hold a trick and a half and not normal support in partner's suit but a biddable suit of your own, you will overcall partner's suit with your suit. If you hold a strong biddable suit and two and one-half of these quick tricks, you will make a jump shift bid; e. g. partner bids one spade and you bid three hearts. This is one more than necessary to overcall and shows partner a probable game going hand and requires him to keep the bid open.

LEVIES ON PIECE GOODS.

LOCAL IMPORTERS' OPPOSITION.

POINTED SPEECHES.

As the result of demands recently made by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild and other Guilds for making levies on all business entered into after certain dates, the proceeds of such levies to be paid to Guild employees, a general meeting of all important merchants of the Colony was held yesterday evening to consider the matter. The meeting was summoned by the General Chamber of Commerce and was held in the Chartered Bank Building, the attendance including non-members of the Chamber.

The Chairman of the Chamber (Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell) presided and he was supported by the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, (Mr. Wong Kwong-tin); also by the following members of the General Committee:—the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, and Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, M. T. Johnson, Paul Laufer, J. A. Plummer, M. St. J. Walsh and J. P. Warren. In opening the proceedings, the Chairman welcomed all present particularly Mr. Wong Kwong-tin. In moving the first resolution, the Chairman said:

This meeting has been called, as our notice states, in order to give you an opportunity to consider and discuss matters of general importance to the import trade of the Colony. arising out of certain demands which have recently been put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild and other Guilds.

The first demand of the Piece Goods Guild was, in effect, that notwithstanding anything which might be written to the contrary, in any contract, a levy of one per cent. would be payable to the Guild or its members on all business entered into after a certain date (15th January). It was understood that this levy, which would amount to something like \$700,000 per annum in the aggregate, would be divided among the shop folk, but naturally the importer was not concerned with its appropriation.

Discount in Contract.

To this the Chamber replied that the question of a discount was entirely a matter of price-fixing between buyer and seller, and if any dealer—whether a Guild member or not—wished prices quoted subject to a discount of one per cent, or 50 per cent, there would be no objection, but that any discount must be definitely agreed beforehand and stated in the contract. We further advised all our members to clause their contracts to the effect that—

"Sellers will not be bound by any conditions, rebates, or any other matters which are not expressly contained in their contracts."

I would like to suggest here, gentlemen, that trade, both within as well as without the Colony, is already sufficiently burdened with taxation to render the imposition of an additional one per cent. a matter of general, I might almost say of world-wide importance, since this would constitute a charge on the Colony's trade which could be avoided by taking your business direct to Canton or other China ports. If local Chinese dealers wish to benefit their Guilds or flocks to the extent of one per cent. on their turnover it must be for themselves to decide, but if business thereby goes past them, they are to blame.

Taxing The Trade.

No doubt some members of the Guild think, in demanding this tax, they are taking one per cent. from what they imagine to be the importers' "handsome" profit, and do not for a moment realize that they are merely taxing the trade. The next communication which the Chamber received was a request

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to bring pressure upon its members to treat their clients leniently in the matter of interest on overdue cargo, etc., owing to the great hardships brought about by the Shanghai troubles. The Chamber replied that, to the best of its knowledge, merchants had always treated their clients with great leniency and there was no reason to anticipate any change of attitude, hinting mildly that the Guild was crying out before it was hurt, so far as British and Continental goods were concerned.

Another Resolution.

The next item was an intimation from the Po Yick Commercial Association, or Sundries Guild; that they had passed a similar resolution to that of the Piece Goods Guild, but were slightly more moderate in their ideas and only required that one-half per cent. should be "rebated" and set aside

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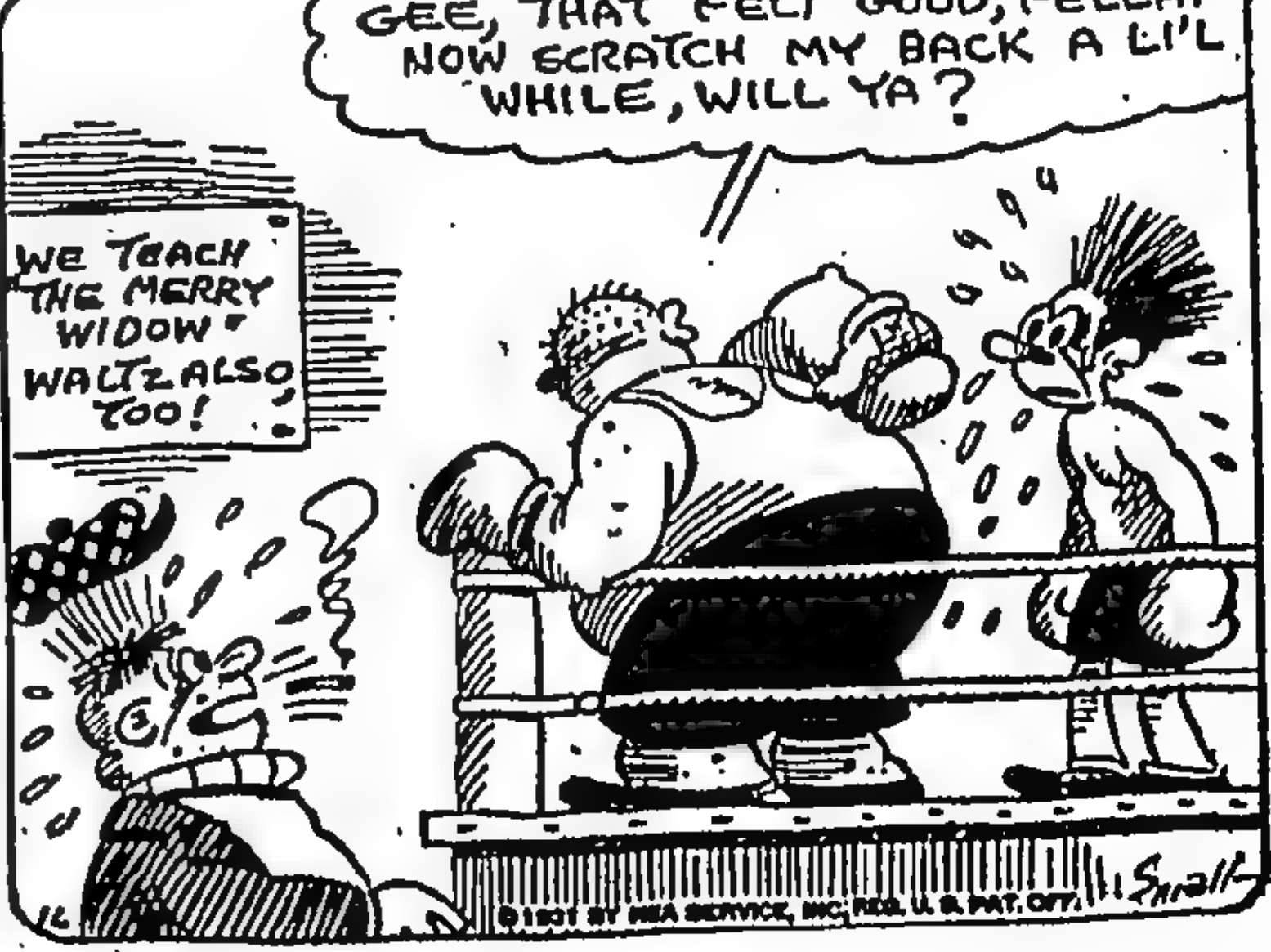
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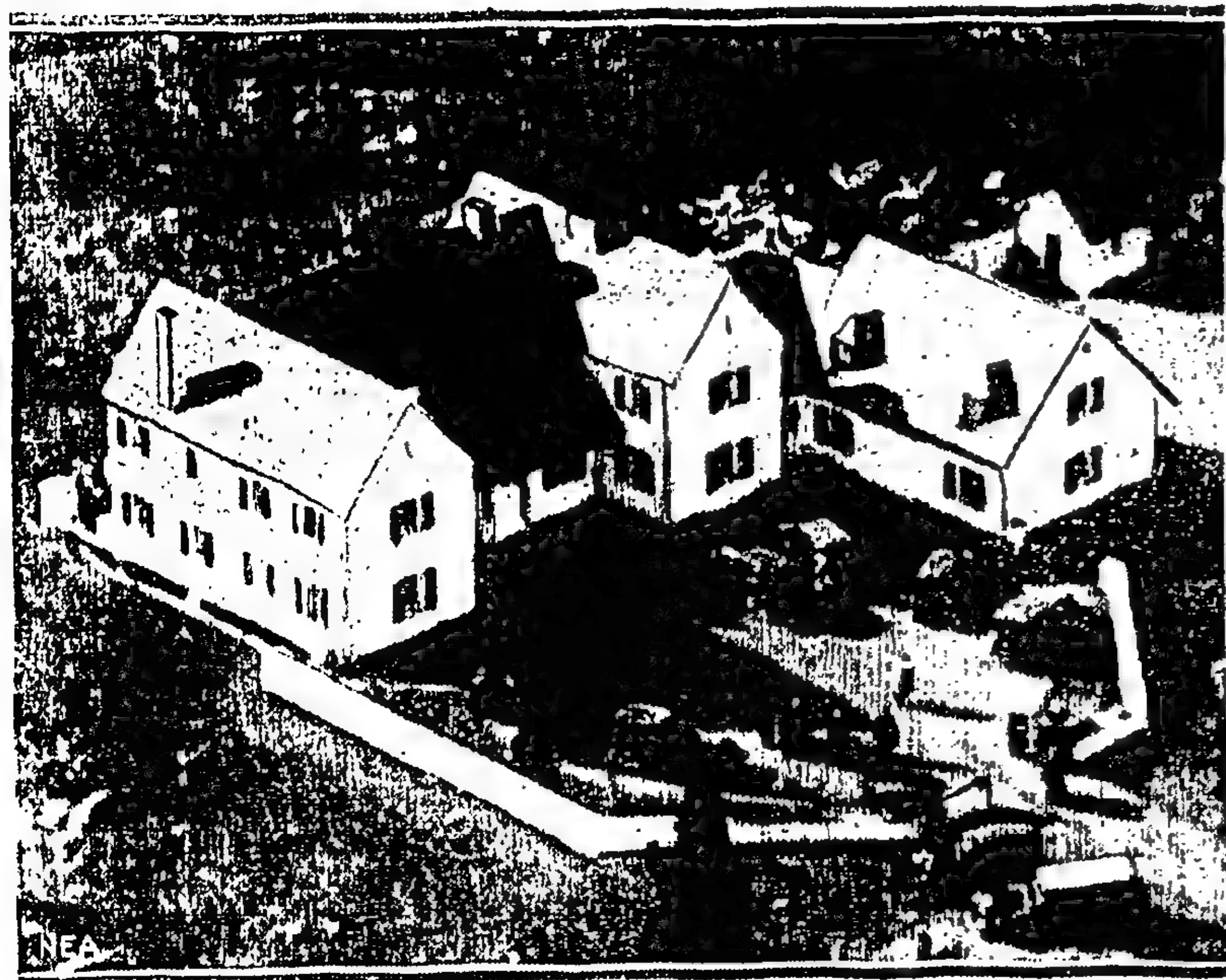
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A general view of the Lindbergh estate at Hopewell, N.J., shows the house and part of the grounds, and in the background, the woods through which the kidnappers fled.



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The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAYTON

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Beautiful Ellen Rossett, a salaried girl in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her extravagant mother, Molly Rossett, her sister, Myra, and her young brother, Mike. The two girls support the family. Molly foolishly spends money needlessly to pay the rent. Ellen decides to work at night at Dreamland as a dance hall hostess until the sum is made up. The hostesses must wear evening dresses and Ellen owns none. Steven Barclay, a man of 67 and Ellen's employer, sees the girl crying and discovers the situation. He offers to give Ellen a dress but she proudly refuses. He then loans her a dress from stock. Ellen dines with Barclay and he drives her to Dreamland where he leaves her. Ellen is half-pleased, half-frightened by her wealthy employer's obvious interest in her. But she forgets him entirely when at Dreamland she meets handsome young Larry Harrowgate, an artist whose prospects, in his own phrase, are exactly nothing. She eagerly accepts Larry's invitation to see the following day.

CHAPTER VII

Ellen had never before realized how many steps there were in the five long flights that led to her own home. She was really very tired but she climbed doggedly forward, determined not to stop. The hall was hot and stuffy, piled up at the landings with rubbish awaiting the janitor's disposition. The house was asleep. Through thin walls she could hear the heavy sound of breathing and even the restless stirrings of the sleepers. At the second floor she identified a terrifying buzzing sound as Papa Clancy's snore. She chuckled and pushed on. Halfway between the fourth floor and the fifth she was unpleasantly surprised to see light shining from beneath the living room door of her own apartment. Oh, dear, someone was still awake! All the way home on the subway she had planned to hop straight into bed and drift off to sleep on the tide of her own glamorous imaginings. She did not want to share those imaginings or to discuss her experiences of the day. Now there was no help for it. With a resigned sigh she unlocked the door and stepped into the Rossett living room. Molly Rossett, bright-eyed and wide-awake, sat at a battered mahogany table

playing solitaire. Molly's solitaire was the joke of the family. Whenever she was beaten it was her habit to rearrange the cards and to proceed with the play. By faithfully adhering to that system, she never failed to run out all her cards.

"I've just beaten old Sol," she announced innocently as Ellen entered.

Then she sprang up and ran to greet her daughter.

"Sit down, darling," she urged. "You look tired to death. Do you want coffee? Shall I risk it or will you make it yourself? Did you have a good time? Tell me everything."

"Help, help," pleaded Ellen faintly, as she sank into a chair and pushed her hat back off her damp forehead. "You'll have to give me a chance. I'm winded. Don't bother about coffee. I'm going straight to bed."

"Not before you tell me all about it, are you?" Molly wailed in childish disappointment.

"You should have gone to bed, honey," Ellen told her, as her temporary annoyance faded. "But since you didn't, what do you want to know especially?"

"I couldn't have slept a wink," Molly protested earnestly, clasping her hands about her bare knees. "I was too anxious to hear about everything—about the dress particularly. Did you look beautiful? Where is it?"

"It's at Dreamland. I guess I looked all right," Ellen tackled the questions in reverse order.

"Oh, Ellen don't be so provocative! You aren't telling me anything! You only said over the phone that Mr. Barclay had lent it to you. What was he like? Was he nice?"

Ellen understood that Molly wanted to know whether or not Barclay had been personal. Her mother was trembling with eagerness to share Barclay's every intonation, his every facial expression.

What had he done? What had he said? How had he looked? She wanted to know not only what Ellen had thought but even what Ellen thought Barclay had thought. In short she was prepared for a sentimental orgy.

Ellen could not help being mildly irritated when her mother was in such a mood.

"He was rather nice," she answered listlessly. "He's quite old, you know—not likely to be enthusiastic. But extremely kind."

"He drove me to Dreamland," Ellen conceded reluctantly.

"Ellen, that's simply marvelous!" Molly exclaimed ecstatically. "I was sure this morning that something was going to happen. I told you. Don't you remember?"

"Oh, stop it!" Ellen wanted to say.

But she managed to hold her tongue. Molly, lost in romantic speculations, saw nothing of her daughter's discomfort. Nor did Ellen's patient and not quite truthful assurances that Barclay had said not one word to indicate anything except a friendly interest, dislodge Molly from her firmly entrenched notion that he had fallen in love with Ellen upon first sight of her.

Ellen forgot how important the meeting with Barclay had seemed before that other meeting at Dreamland. She forgot that there had been nothing pallid about Steven Barclay's image in her mind until she had looked into Larry Harrowgate's shining, admiring eyes.

Not until Barclay and the drive through the park had been pretty thoroughly gone into was she allowed to escape to bed. One thing Molly's tireless cross-examination had failed to elicit—the story of the meeting with Larry Harrowgate.

Ellen woke in the morning to hear subdued giggles. Something furry brushed across her nose and she opened her eyes quickly. Mike's kitten, Buzz, scampered to the edge of the bed and hopped to the floor. Mike himself, seated cross-legged at the foot of the bed and wearing a suit of shrunken pyjamas, was responsible for the giggles.

As the girl stretched her arms over her head she felt that the world was very fair. She laughed joyously with her young brother and as she laughed all thought of sleep vanished. The early morning air was sweet and cool, promising a radiant day. This was the beginning of the day that was to mark her first engagement with Larry Harrowgate. Her mind was busy with delightful planning.

What would she wear? She could carry the pink afternoon dress, a legacy from Aunt Myra, and change at noon when her duties at the store ended. Or would it be better to appear in the same costume she wore at work? Absorbed in those delightful possibilities, she leaned forward, pulled Mike into her arms and tousled his hair until he squealed with delight.

"Oh, gee," gasped Mike, after a few minutes of uproarious roughhousing, "I forgot to tell you. Somepin came for you. That's why I was to wake you up."

"What came?"

"A great big long box with lots of green ribbons."

Flowers! From Larry? Ellen was out of bed in a flash and into the living room. Myra and Molly were both at the table examining a giant florist box.

"It's from McClelland's!" Myra called out excitedly. "Mother and I thought you'd never get up. Did Mike wake you?"

Ellen's fingers trembled with the novel delight of tearing away green ribbons and massed layers of satiny paper. Roses, wet and darkly red—dozens of them!

"How many are there?" Molly incoherently demanded. "Millions, it looks like. I can't count them. Oh, the beauties!" She wrenched the card free and tore open the envelope. The ink had blurred with dampness but the writing was perfectly distinguishable. The writing was not Larry's.

"To the success of your new venture. S. B." read the message.

Ellen was ready to cry in her disappointment. She had been so sure! Myra and Molly were far too pleased and flattered to notice anything amiss. Flowers and bunnies in the Rossett household were rare enough to cause any amount of excitement.

"I told you, I told you," Molly was insisting. "They're from Mr. Barclay, aren't they?"

"Yes," said Ellen.

The girl read the message a second time in an effort to recapture some of her original delight at receiving such a splendid gift and failed. The card fluttered from her fingers. Molly pounced upon it. Together she and Myra read the short note and exclaimed and speculated and jubilated quite enough to make up for any lack in Ellen.

An umbrella stand was rushed into service. It was the only vessel in the house deep enough for the long stemmed beauties. Deploring the wastefulness Molly cut down the smooth green stems of half a dozen buds and arranged them at the shabby breakfast table. But her eyes were all for the tall splendor of the blooms in the stand pulled close to Ellen's chair.

"They're four feet long if they're an inch," she murmured happily, slipping into her place at the head of the table.

"Mother, if you say that again," Ellen said crossly, "I'll scream."

"I'll join you in the screaming," (Continued on Page 11.)

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 13th day of April, to Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 7th April, 1932.

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First Race at 2.15 p.m.

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A NEW TURBINE.

INTERESTING PAPER BY MR. P. C. BARRAND.

The Brush Ljungstrom Steam Turbine was the subject of a paper read to the members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong by Mr. P. C. Barrand, yesterday evening, and below will be found extracts from the interesting description.

Before the introduction of the Ljungstrom type of steam turbine, repeated efforts were made to reduce the considerable length of the reaction turbine as originally designed by the late Sir C. A. Parsons and as a result of the progress along these lines the combined impulse and reaction turbines as designed by Messrs. Brown, Boveri & Sulzer, and others were brought on the market.

The Ljungstrom turbine was also developed from the Parsons type with the aim of reducing the length but the result was to produce a machine having a character entirely different from those mentioned.

The axial length of the Parsons turbine is largely due to the width of the blades measured in the direction of the steam flow and experiments were first made to ascertain the extent to which this width could be reduced without affecting the efficiency of the individual blade. It was found that the blade efficiency was independent of the width of the blade, the inlet and outlet angles alone making any difference.

Steps were taken to determine the possible advantages in mechanical construction to be expected, if rings containing these very narrow blades could be built sufficiently strong and accurate in shape.

Turbines were designed with a total blade length equal to the difference in radii between the high pressure and low pressure ends of the rotor of a Parsons machine and consideration was given to a turbine of radial flow design containing one stationary and one rotating disc with cylindrical blade rings between.

Considerable Advantage.

It soon became evident that it would be advantageous to allow both these discs to rotate in opposite directions; the relative blade speeds of the two halves of the system thus being doubled and likewise the steam velocity. The number of blade rings could be reduced to one quarter of what would be necessary for a single rotation set of equal efficiency.

The advantages promised by the radial flow design in economy in floor space, weight and saving material were considerable but the attainment of these advantages required the solution of numerous problems of a mechanical nature, especially those involved in the construction of the blade rings.

Experimental work consequently started with the blade rings and not until all the difficulties connected with these details had been properly overcome were the complete designs for a turbine laid down.

When the work had advanced so far the Ljungstrom Steam Turbine Co., Ltd., was formed and they built two experimental sets of 600 Kw. and the other of 1,000 Kw. capacity.

In the general arrangement of the Ljungstrom set the turbine is placed between two alternators and mounted on the end of one of the alternator shafts is an exciter which supplies excitation current to both alternators. The exciter fields are connected in series with each other and the exciter and the alternator stators are permanently connected in parallel, thus automatically synchronising as soon as exciting current is available during the running up of the set.

The machine has no belt drive, the complete weight being taken by the condenser. The great advantage of this arrangement is that no load comes on the engine room floor and all that is necessary in the matter of foundations are two small concrete stools for the condenser. The walls of the station building and the overhead crane may be of lighter construction than is required for any other type of turbine.

In the Ljungstrom turbine a simple and ingenious joint has been devised to solve the problem of linking up members which may be subject to stresses due to differential expansion.

Blading System.

The blades are of the reaction pattern milled from round bars in lengths of about 12ft. and afterwards cut up to lengths of 3ft. and ground up in the direction of the steam flow.

A very rigid ring is produced by the system, the blades being well supported at both ends, and it will be seen that considerable clearance can be allowed between consecutive blade rings without seriously affecting the leakage of steam past the rings. The bearings are unique in design, the length being somewhat less than the diameter. In the early days of the turbine long bearings were considered essential for high speeds and

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On the first axial flow machines the bearings were as much as 3 1/2 diameters. This was not good practice and there was a possibility of the slender journals distorting under stress, also the critical speed was of a lower order than obtained with short bearings. It was supposed that there was a low limit to the pressure per square inch which could safely be put on a bearing and also to the safe peripheral speed.

Seventy-five feet per second and seventy-five pounds per sq. inch were considered the highest limits allowable for a long time but the conditions in the bearings of the Ljungstrom are approximately 150ft. per second and 120lb. per sq. inch. It must be understood that the metals of the journal and the bearings do not make contact and the bearings are not supported by an oil film which separates the two. The design must be such that the oil film can be forced and maintained.

Dismantling.

The working parts of the Ljungstrom turbine are comparatively small and of light weight. They therefore present little difficulty in handling on their removal from the casing. No heat insulation has to be disturbed. The internal parts are made accessible by removing the upper portion of the turbine casing and as the casing forms the exhaust of the machine all bolts are comparatively cool and dismantling may be commenced almost as soon as the plant is shut down.

It will be seen that every effort has been made to make each size of machine as efficient as possible, at the same time keeping in mind "reliability" and experience has shown that the turbine can more than hold its own as a commercial unit from both the economical and reliability view points.

In conclusion I should mention that there is no difficulty in designing Ljungstrom turbines of any size from 500Kw. output and upwards and although the difference in efficiency between this type of machine and any other type of turbine is not quite so marked as the sizes increase, this point is more than outweighed by negligible costs of foundations and ease and quickness of starting and entire absence of expansion troubles in the case of the Ljungstrom.

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INTERESTING LECTURE BY DR. PFISTER.

In an illustrated lecture to the St. Andrew's branch of the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association, delivered in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon last night, Dr. M. O. Pfister described a recent trip undertaken by him through the province of Yunnan to the Sacred Mountain of Omi.

Dr. Pfister was impressed with the growth of modernisation in the interior and referred to its effect upon the habits of the inland people.

Dr. Pfister in the course of his lecture said:—The modernisation of China is rapidly progressing. This process naturally is more marked in the coastal districts, but is also noticeable in the interior, for in far away Szechuen you will find surprising modern development. Thus Chungking, formerly like Canton of the Imperial times, a typical walled city with its narrow streets and bustling life, is gradually losing its characteristic features and becoming a modern city.

All along front houses are being pulled down to make space for wider streets and motor traffic. To the time-honoured guilds of water-carriers, wood-carvers and chair-coolies has been added the union of the motor-car drivers and the telephone operators. Although not always of irreconcilable clash with the many little things of the old Chinese household.

A New Influence.

Wherever you go, following the broad path of traffic, you notice the immense influence of modern industrialisation. The development of Chungking and Chengtu, the nominal capital of the four river provinces, and other large cities in the neighbourhood is intimately connected with the opening up of the upper Yangtze, where now a regular steamship traffic is plying the whole year round.

But there are still parts in China, wide districts even, where this all levelling influence of modernisation has not yet been able to destroy the romance of a virgin country—a province, which due to its natural geographical inaccessibility, remote from navigable streams and railway lines, has up till now preserved its unspoiled character. This is Yunnan, the most western province of China, a mountainous and beautiful country. It is here in this secluded part of China that we find aboriginal tribes which formerly had been spread all over China, but were gradually driven back by the more industrious and stronger Chinese element.

This was the case with the Miao, one of the biggest tribes now living in Yunnan and the neighbouring province of Kweichow. They had been populating parts of middle and eastern China up to the second century before Christ, when they were driven out of these districts and took refuge in the highlands of the west. Here they lived more or less peacefully under their various kings and rulers until in the middle of the 13th century with the invasion of China by Kublai Khan, the Chinese took possession also of Yunnan, shifting the Miao to still more inaccessible places in the mountainous districts.

The Tribes of Yunnan.

There are many other tribes which one meets when travelling through Yunnan. From the north and north-west, from the Tibetan border, came the Lolo or Naxi as they call themselves. They are taller than the Miao with a warlike disposition especially in the district north of the Kin Sha (the gold-sand river) where they live independently.

A third large group is represented by the Chung Chia, which includes the Tai, Lolo and Shan tribes from the west and south-west. These tribes are distinctly different from the Chinese, although intermarriage has generations blurred the racial differences a good deal. Moreover many wear Chinese costumes which make it still more difficult to tell them from the Chinese.

The women stick more rigidly to their tribal traditions than the men. It is by their elaborately embroidered and adorned dresses that you can recognise the various tribes.

I may now say a few words on the geographical structure of Yunnan. The main direction of the large water tracks as well as of the mountain ridges run from north to south. Thus it is obvious that in opening up the country, a traffic route developed in this direction would prove the most profitable. An original plan to tackle the problem by building a railway from Burma to Yunnan has not come to fruition, whereas the French enterprise, a wonderful piece of engineering work connecting Yunnanfu with the coast at Haiphong, has proved a great success.

The further development will probably be the prolongation of this line north to the Yangtze. But I believe that the future will see the development of an extensive

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Amoy	Kutsang	Mon., Apr. 18, 5 p.m.
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Apr. 26, 2 p.m.
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motor-car traffic in these parts rather than the establishment of a railway line.		
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Yunnan's Red Beds.		
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One of the most striking topographical features of Yunnan is the formation of large basins, high plateaus, horizontal terraces, red beds as von Richthofen, the noted German geographer named them. Kan Ming the capital with 80,000 inhabitants, is situated on such a plateau surrounded by mountain ridges. Further north after passing some mountain ridges are similar but higher plateaus. These red beds furnish very fertile soil for cultivation. The mountains are rather bare for the people are not yet sufficiently enlightened enough to realise the immense value of a sound afforestation policy.

On the plains, the ground is richly cultivated with rice, sweet corn, kauliang, potatoes, ground nuts, beans, cabbage and popples. Here the greater cities are situated—places like Tung Chuan and Chiao Tung, both seats of English mission stations. The soil of these basins is of a rich ermine red, a red clay, which is very slippery.

One of the most important factors on a long walking tour is to have the correct foot-wear. Opinions may differ as to the most suitable footwear, but I am convinced that for this kind of a trip in Yunnan light shoes with native sandals fixed to them, are the most suitable.

The climate is perfect in Autumn at the time we undertook the trip. The colourful panorama is beautiful.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.11/16d.

Mr. L. Kennard Davis took

charge of the Hongkong branch of the North China Insurance Co., Ltd.

Prince Leopold of Battenburg passed through the Colony on the way to Japan, and was visited by H. E. the Governor (Sir Frederick Lugard).

The Sanitary Board rejected a motion proposing to change its name to the Board of Health.

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

SMART EFFECT IN BLACK AND WHITE.



The afternoon frock pictured above has a new scarf of black and white, with complementary gloves and bag.

YOUR CHILDREN.

[By Olive Roberts Barton]

Children live in a terrible rut, so do mothers. No wonder life gets uninteresting and everybody becomes obsessive, living in a big dream world of what could be but isn't.

We are all packed full of suppressions. All of us are off dreaming somewhere, anywhere but here, and we learned it as children.

The average home is so full of commands. It must be kept neat and clean! That is the first of all! The children must always be ladies and gentlemen, neat and clean, too. The table cloth must be spotless. Feet must not stamp or make a noise. No finger must touch the windows, chairs must not be moved, meals must be one long span of politeness and quietness! No wonder children get bored to death and start to dream.

We are so busy paying attention to these more or less superficial things that we are forgetting suppressions—the urges shouting silently for outlet.

Don't Overdo "System".

We cannot let homes go, of course, to become masses of chaos and confusion. This, too, has a bad effect, as it destroys self-respect and system and order are needed up to a certain degree in a home just as they are needed in a business. But system can be a terrible master, and souls and hearts are offered up too often as a sacrifice to its routine cruelty.

The truth is that most mothers have got into the rut of being "housekeepers" instead of home-makers.

What is a home-maker? Well, I should say, a mother who thinks more of making her children into

real people than into starched little puppets who will be neat and clean and quiet and sit around all the time and not touch anything.

Our ideas are coming out of the dark and enlarging. We used to buy toys for looks. Now we buy them for interest and to teach the children to do things, to develop them and give them initiative, thought and action.

The idea of the home itself is falling into line with the toys.

Not that the children are to be allowed to turn vandal and destroy and tear up to their hearts' content. That would not do; but to let them know that the house is theirs to really live in is a different thing.

Fairness Must Rule.

If lessons of respect for property, and justice to their mother and all the work she has to do, as well as politeness and fairness to each other are understood—pounded in, I should say—the new freedom of the house won't greatly upset things.

Suppose Ted crawls out of a window and uses the roof as a stage while he delivers a rousing address to a row of Roman Senators on his bed, will that hurt anything? He may forget to straighten the curtain afterward, but put up Ted's growing oratorical ability against a curtain and what have you? Inside he wouldn't have given that address perhaps. He would probably have dawdled on the floor all the afternoon with a book.

Suppose Louise wants to learn to cook. What is a messy kitchen, if she cleans up the worst, to a real desire to make things herself? Otherwise she would be munching chocolate perhaps in a movie, or over at Maude's gossiping.

I think our homes are going to be real factors in the lives of the children, not just filling stations in which to eat and sleep, but places to do real things and to learn.

THOUGHTS.

Dreams for Beauty.

Have you ever seen a face that seems to have a softly radiant light shining through it? Something that makes a plain face beautiful and a beautiful one divine.

Have you, again, seen a face that is the index of the material, uninspired thoughts behind it? Or one which brings to your mind the words, "They abhor not that which is evil?" There is no beauty there, even though hair, eyes, and features are good.

There is not the slightest doubt that thoughts and habit of mind count enormously in this matter of beauty culture. You have only to look around you to see how true it is.

A doctor does not prescribe an outward application only when he knows that an inward remedy is also necessary. He orders both.

Therefore, hitch your wagon to a star, and don't be laughed out of your high ideals. Patents are often guilty of this kind of vandalism in dealing with children.

And work to make those high dreams realities. Hard that work may be, and self-sacrificing, seeming sometimes well nigh impossible, but it is the stuff that makes dreams come true and builds castles, not in the air, but here on earth where they are needed.

"Above life's stir and stress, Shines down our wished ideal. For thinking moulds in clay. What life carves in the marble real."

And meanwhile it is being writ slowly, beautifully, in the face of the dreamer and worker.

A little boy of eight once said of the head mistress of his kindergarten school, "Mamma, if anyone asked me to describe a perfectly beautiful face I should describe Miss W. S."

She was one of those with that inner light. Children, fresh from the hand of God, and "trailing clouds of glory as they come," have clear vision and true standards they make no mistakes.

And most men and women, children still if you go down deep enough, feel the allure of this soul-loveliness.

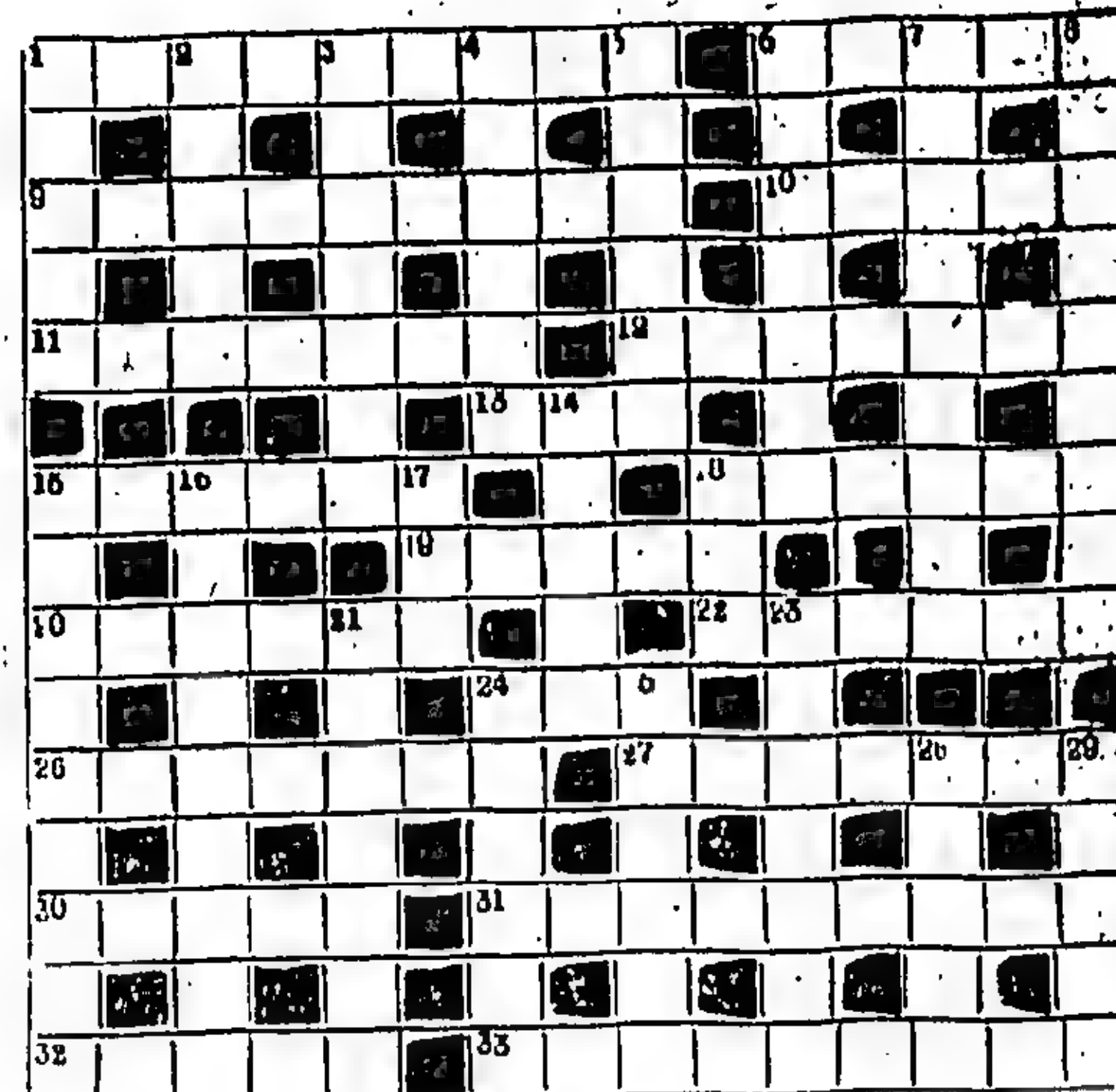
Attend your beauty parlour, by all means, but, whatever you do, keep your ideals, and strive to live up to them—E. H. A. Perock. In Exchange.

A Smart Shoe.



The vogue for patent leather will go right through summer, according to Paris forecasts. Combined with white suva cloth, which looks like crocheted lace and is very popular.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Fish due, and detectives are doing it.
- 6 Minor collisions that are supposed to give away your character.
- 9 Describes no true believer.
- 10 The princely feature of Grogg.
- 11 A knot that might be adoring.
- 12 Seclusion.
- 13 The bird element in a multitude.
- 15 Bustle and colour are more than loved.
- 18 Last month.
- 19 All wrong, and the girl's there plainly enough.
- 20 Restore quiet in a Communist.
- 22 A famous musketeer.
- 24 The part of Sheba best known to Rider Haggard.
- 26 A Midland town that, with another letter, would be a little hive of industry.
- 27 Takes little bites.
- 30 Considered as a record of the amount of this seaside air required, it doesn't seem enough.
- 31 What the retired Anglo-Indian colonel is in fiction.
- 32 Mother might even try staying at Esther's (hidden).
- 33 Fruit.

Down

- 1 Abuse.
- 2 One of the twelve tribes.
- 3 Aperture.
- 4 Fixed closely though in something I have packed up in a few minutes.
- 5 Wheeled by a child.
- 6 Is the crime-craze increasing the number of its pupils?

- 7 When this flashes it clearly proven Agnes to be present.
- 8 What you have been writing down.
- 14 This Nation isn't "all-my-eye," but part of it is part of it.
- 15 Starchy and curative (and, to my mind, odious!).
- 16 A collection to hand to a Conservative.
- 17 Bag it is in Asia.
- 18 Letters that suggest "you try!"
- 21 It's growing, and the climb is obvious directly after the start.
- 23 Scour a mangled coin and find a stream whose crossing meant a lot.
- 24 Obviously part of leap year.
- 25 In this case, disorder is bound to produce a scene.
- 28 Old Africa.
- 29 Full of holes.

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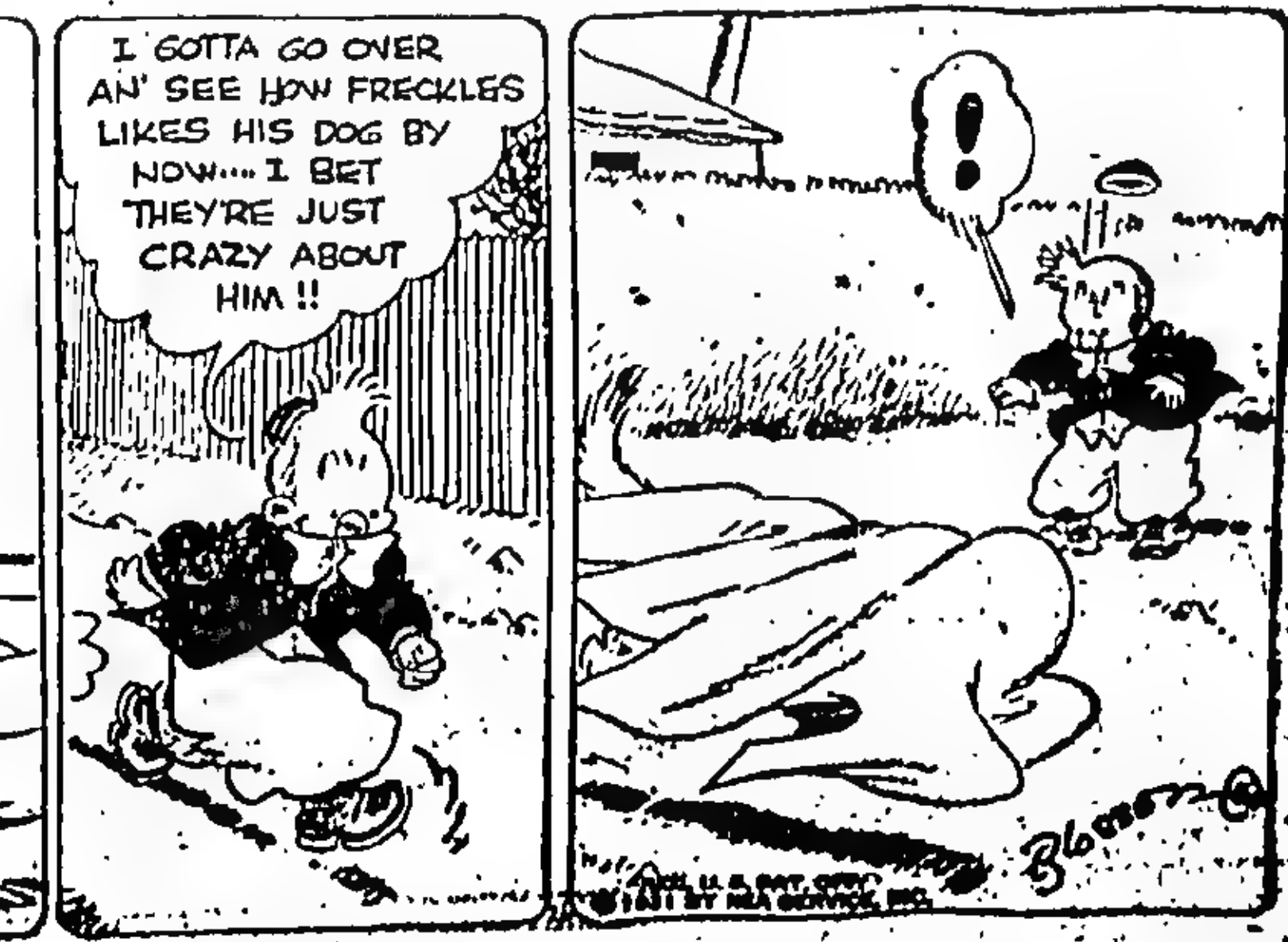
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A BLOW TO THE NAZIS.

The German Government has taken a drastic line of action by deciding to suppress the Nazi military organisations. What the reactions will be remains to be seen. The point to be noted is that the decree is not directed against the Nazis as a political party, which is to retain its normal liberties of action. It is the storm-troops and other cadres which are to be suppressed, on the ground that their existence implies the possibility of civil war breaking out. To the foreign observer, it has seemed strange that there should exist in Germany not only these Nazi storm-troops, but also other similar organisations, such, for example, as the "Steel Helmets," of which, incidentally, President Hindenburg is Honorary President. The French have always complained that the formation and continued existence of these bodies of armed men constitute a menace. It remains to be seen whether the action now taken by the Government is to be directed solely against the Nazis; if so, it will appear to the outside world as a party move, aiming at the subordination of the Hitlerites.

One of the outstanding features of German political life in the past two or three years has been the amazing rise to prominence of Herr Hitler. An entirely self-made man, without means, he has created a national organisation claiming millions of supporters in all parts of the country. As a bricklayer and an odd-job workman in Vienna, he became familiar at first hand with social distress and gained an insight into the Marxist-Socialist disposition of his fellow-workers which lacked any national feeling. Recognising the social evils which needed remedying, he recoiled at the same time from the Marxist idea. Entering the lists, he started to build up on the ruins of the collapsing middle-class and proletarian ideology a new idea of the State in Germany—an idea which does not regard the individual or mankind as the highest standard of value, but which regards the nation as the real unit. In particular, the Peace Treaties

are regarded as intolerable, and so the young Germany, led by Hitler, seeks to solve this question of the tributes and at the same time to reorganise home affairs by reconstructive measures and by suppressing destructive Marxist ideas. The Nazis seek to wipe out Marxism and save Europe from the menace of Asiatic Bolshevism. Whilst their attitude towards reparations and some of the other legacies of the Great War is one of declining to admit responsibility, they say that they are firm in their determination to see all private debts contracted by Germany scrupulously honoured.

These points, however, are not of immediate moment, since the Nazis are still far from being in control of the nation. Whatever the motives of the Government may be, there will be general agreement in foreign countries that a wise step has been taken in suppressing Hitler's private army. A private army in any country is an anachronism; the *imperium in imperio* idea cannot command the support of anyone having regard for constitutional principles. So it is well that the suppression order has gone forth. There will most probably be marked reactions from the step taken, but the Government is evidently determined to have its way. But what of the Steel Helmets and other similar organisations? Having taken action in the one instance, it is difficult to see how the Government's hand can be stayed where these other bodies are concerned.

Don't Mislay that Neutron!

If the atom ever gets the physical into court on an assault and battery charge, the latter is likely to be convicted under a habitual criminal act. Never since the atom's peace and privacy were first invaded by natural science has there been such a concentrated effort to knock it all to pieces. All sorts of devices are being invented to smash the atom into bits and ascertain exactly what it is made of and why. And when it is considered that a particle of dust on a settee contains one thousand million millions of atoms, the difficulty of getting one little atom into a corner and bombarding it into its constituent parts must be obvious even to the unlearned. The latest and most successful attack on the atom has resulted in announcement of the discovery of the neutron.

Other and previous assaults had introduced the proton and the electron to students of the atom. To the average layman, the neutron does not mean much. He may wonder how long it took the physicist to count out the 200,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 necessary to make an ounce, but natural science is uncovering so many marvels that even a row of electrons standing on their heads would cause him no concern. But the neutron is primarily a protégé of natural scientists and likely to remain a stranger to the layman. From reading reports of the discovery, the layman gets the idea that the neutron was a tough customer and admitted its identity only under severe examination. It had been tramping around disguised as a proton and electron closely bound together. And now big things are expected of the neutron when it grows up. With a "Tag, you're it!" it may slap the elusive cosmic ray on the back. It may explain what keeps the nucleus of the atom from blowing up. Natural scientists are expressing their interest and debating its possibilities. Some of them say there are a lot more than 200,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 neutrons in an ounce. Here, then, is an opportunity for some enterprising physicist to put a jarful in the front window and get the public to guess on the number.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar-market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

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DAY BY DAY

I HAVE BEEN SOME HARD TIMES IN MY LIFE, BUT I NEVER SAW THE MOMENT WHEN I WAS NOT SURE THAT I WOULD COME OUT AHEAD IN THE END.—General Grant.

According to a report to the police, Chang Sai, a canteen "boy" engaged at Wellington Barracks, attempted to commit suicide last night by taking an overdose of opium. He was later removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Reusba message from Shanghai states that the Nanking Government has created a new post to be known as Commissioner for the suppression of bandits in Kiangsu, Fukien, Hunan, Kwangtung and Kwangsi. This says the two India faced charges of the Generalissimo, Mr. Chiang, will be appointed assistant to General Ho.

On returning home at 7 p.m. on April 7, Mrs. Row, the tenant of the third floor of 100, Hennessy Road, found that thieves had entered the flat by wrenching the lock from the door. Ten days after, a District Watchman received information which resulted in his arresting two boys, aged 15 and 18 respectively. Articles of clothing stolen from Mrs. Row's flat were recovered in pawnshops, and the two lads faced charges of the larceny before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning. It was stated that the younger of the two boys had been previously in the employ of Mrs. Row, and that the other had a previous conviction for stealing. In handing over the younger lad, his Worship ordered him to receive 12 strokes of the cane. The other boy received four months.

PROBATES GRANTED.

THREE LOCAL ESTATES.

Local estate to the value of \$17,100, with net personality elsewhere amounting to \$3,097 10s. 6d., was left by the late Alice Matilda Hamilton, widow, late of No. 7, Queen's Parade, Cheltenham, Gloucester, England, who died on August 17, 1931, at the Royal Nursing Home, Cheltenham.

Re-issuing of certified copy of probate of the will has been granted to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacons, who is attorney for two daughters (executrices), Miss Hamilton and Evelyn Brooks (widow), both of Cheltenham.

Testatrix bequeathed her estate to the two executrices, another daughter, Constance Davey, and a son, Mr. A. V. Hamilton, of Victoria, British Columbia.

The late Li Tsun-po, otherwise Lee Chue-po, alias Li Po-tai, alias Li Shing-ho, merchant, who died at No. 28 Hill Road, on November 30, 1929, left local estate worth \$15,800. Probate of the will has been granted to Li Ng-cheung, alias Li Tak-choi, second son and sole executor, of No. 61, Bonham Strand West. Requests are of a family nature.

Probate of the will of the late Wong Yin, alias Wong Chiu-ting, who died at Tai Po Ho village, Tai Shan District, Kwangtung, on or about October 20, 1931, leaving local estate valued at \$15,000, has been granted to Wong Yung-shi, Wong Lau-shi, Wong Yung-shi (widow) and Wong Yuen-shi, all temporarily living at No. 323, Reclamation Street, Mongkok. The will containing family bequests.

CAN WOMEN KEEP
A SECRET?

A Morsel of Gossip.

ON the ground that women cannot keep secrets, the French Senate has just rejected a Bill designed to enable women to become notaries or solicitors. The French Bar admits women to membership as freely as does our own.

The same objection was urged when women in this country were first permitted to practise as solicitors. Opponents of the innovation glibly asserted that secrets travel fast when entrusted to a woman, and that a solicitor incapable of holding her tongue would be a danger to everyone who consulted her.

And so, indeed, she would. I have no doubt that the ancient fallacy still enjoys considerable currency. But there have been women solicitors for nearly 10 years in Great Britain, and I have yet to hear that one of them has been guilty of betraying her client's trust.

Sense of Loyalty.

It may be urged that such reticence is simply the result of a stern, almost fanatical sense of loyalty to professional standards, and that were this to be weakened by boredom, or lack of grip, the most grisly family secrets and private embarrassments would not be safe when entrusted to a woman. A solicitor who bubbles is an outrageous person. The first rule of the profession is never to divulge a confidence; the importance of this rule is so strongly impressed by daily experience upon a practising solicitor that even the naturally garrulous and indiscreet are constrained to put curbs upon their tongues where a client's affairs are involved.

But these potential sources of danger—and they exist in every profession—are just as likely to be men. Not every private secretary is silent as the tomb, nor is every confidential servant of a business undertaking a perfect repository for confidences. Indiscretions, however, are not confined to one sex; and though in some respects women may refuse to merge themselves in a corporation as completely or as readily as men, there is little ground for supposing that they are less worthy to be entrusted with secrets.

Keeping a secret is, in fact, a very difficult matter. Tell no one anything which you do not wish to be repeated, is cynical advice; but most people very frequently in their lives are tempted to accept it as a working philosophy. "If one knows, it is a secret; if two, it is public," said a sufferer from a friend's indiscretion, and we all know people who are perfect conduit pipes for matters which for one reason or another we do not choose to set in circulation ourselves.

Betrayal of a secret is rarely the result of malice. "I am telling you this in confidence," one may say. "You won't repeat it, will you?" And the promise of silence exacted, the titbit of scandal or the amusing story which puts a mutual acquaintance in a ludicrous light is poured into receptive ears. And the recipient of such a confidence is genuinely resolved not to divulge it; perhaps, if no opportunity presents itself while the story is fresh in his mind, the secret remains a secret.

But what usually happens is this. A silence falls between two people. One of them, trying desperately to think of something amusing, recalls the diverting story he has just been told in confidence. For a moment he or she hesitates. But to have heard this morsel of gossip will perhaps establish some claim to social distinction or for being in the swim. So scruples vanish and, prefaced by the conscience-saving formula, "This is between ourselves," the secret starts upon its travels again.

Now in such cases, when the motive for reticence is not professional loyalty but merely the common obligation of preserving a confidence, women are possibly more frequent offenders than men. Upon many women nothing weighs so heavily as a secret. Their own secrets are as burdensome as those of another, and they are never really at ease until they have shared the horrible incubus with a friend, who in the majority of instances is only too willing to play the role of sympathetic listener.

It is significant that in every age numerous women have had confidantes—poor relations or younger women from whom little more has been demanded than the capacity for looking interested and for holding their tongues. For a confidante who herself indulged in confidences would soon lose her place.

The Personal Note.

It is a commonplace that in conversation most women cannot for long avoid striking a personal note. Those massive generalisations and long discussions about tendencies in politics, commerce, sport, and a hundred other things, which keep men happy for hours, soon weary women. Their reaction to almost every question is anecdotal. They are bored by the general and excited by the particular instance. And when conversation enters the field of particular instances, the prospect of preserving secrets is dangerously remote.

But few men are guiltless in this respect. I have heard more shattering indiscretions from men guests at a dinner party than from women who, with bated breath and strict injunctions to eternal secrecy, have made me a confidant.

Yet the distinction between professional and private life is pretty well observed by both men and women. I am not, perhaps, an unprejudiced witness to the integrity of women solicitors. But I have listened with becoming deference to almost every kind of criticism of women's invasion of the legal profession, and it is many years since I heard feminine inability to keep a secret urged as an objection.

Women lawyers, women doctors, women secretaries are neither less nor more trustworthy than men. What indiscretions are exchanged when a woman solicitor and a woman doctor meet over a cocktail or a tumbler I am not called upon to divulge. But I fear no contradiction in asserting that they are not professional secrets.

Those Nibs.

By PHIPPS.

THE bluntest instrument known to criminology is undoubtedly the post office pen.

It has been responsible, directly or indirectly, for some of the darkest pages of history.

Many a man traces his downfall back to that first telegram. Reminiscence stabs him—he sees himself, a curly-haired, bright-eyed boy, firm of step, godlike in the arrogance of youth, going into the post office to wire Uncle Arthur. And in bitter retrospect he sees himself emerge, two hours and twenty-seven minutes later, a stricken, disillusioned figure, with a blot on his escutcheon and several on his trousers—a boy no longer!

Not only had he embraced the passions and vocabulary of Manhood, but he had left his duty but half done; for the wire to Uncle Arthur (14th edition) had read: Please, blot, scratch, blot, blot... arrives, scratch, blot, blot... love.

It is with considerable surprise, therefore, that I find the G.P.O. has a conscience. In a recent announcement, the G.P.O. admits that it has for years been searching for the perfect nib, and it now believes it has found it.

A microscopic survey (confides the G.P.O.) of pensioned pens has produced some valuable data on the causes of their infirmity. The post (office) mortem shows that the ordinary steel nib gives up the

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"I guess I'm something of a disappointment to my mother. She always had her heart set on my being ambassador to Spain."

JAPANESE DAVIS
CUP SETBACK.STAR PLAYERS NOT
TO COMPETE.EXHIBITIONS IN
COLONY TO-DAY.

(By "Netcord")

Nelther T. Harada nor R. Nunoi, who have been selected to represent Japan in the Davis Cup competition this year, will be making the trip to Europe, they informed me upon their arrival in Hongkong from Australia this morning.

Harada dropped an additional bombshell by stating that he has played his last game in International or any sort of competitive tennis, and has definitely decided to give up the game.

This, of course, is the reason for his declining the invitation of the Japanese L.T.A., to join the Davis Cup team this year, while Nunoi is prevented from figuring in the team through pressure of scholastic duties.

Looking very fit after their recent tour of Australia, where they figured in the team which lost the International Test competition, Harada and Nunoi arrived early this morning aboard the President Cleveland. They were met by Mr. C. P. E. James (Hon. Secretary of the L.T.A.) who immediately made arrangements with the players to appear in exhibition matches at the H.K.C.C. this afternoon.

It was when I branched the subject of the forthcoming Davis Cup tournament that I learnt of the decisions of the two players.

Harada, in explaining why he had taken this unexpected step, said: "I feel I have had enough of International tennis. I have been playing since 1923, and have decided to make this recent trip to Australia my last appearance in important tennis. I shall not take part in the future national championship of Japan, but will now definitely retire from the game."

Harada's New Sport.

"This is to be my new sport," he said, pointing to a bag of golf clubs in the corner of the cabin. "I play, therefore, well, having a 12 handicap in national golf and 19 in club golf. That, of course, is a great deal, but not very."

"Yes, I am certainly taking to it seriously and shall compete in the Japanese national championship."

Nunoi, who is one of the youngest of the leading Japanese tennis players, expressed deep regret that school duties would not allow him to play in the Davis Cup this year, but added hopefully that he looked forward to doing so in 1933.

Both men were very impressed with Australian tennis, but considered McGrath, the Antipodes "boy wonder," to be slightly over-rated. "He is still very young," commented Harada, "and at the present time rather inclined to play to the gallery. We did not find him very difficult to beat."

While in Manila, the two players took part in the All-comers singles championship, a competition inaugurated by Mr. Dwight Davis, former Governor-General of the Philippines, and donor of the Davis Cup.

Harada and Nunoi went through to the final, but did not meet. Nunoi being forced to scratch as he was suffering from a severe chill.

I asked Harada what he thought of F. Aragon, the Philippine champion, who made such impressive appearances on local courts in 1930. Harada opined that he was rapidly declining and was nothing like the Aragon of three years ago. Although he still retained his brilliant strokes, he lacked stamina, and could not last a singles match as of yore.

To-day's Matches.

Harada and Nunoi, who have now fully recovered from his indisposition, very readily agreed to play in Hongkong during their 24 hours stay, and through the courtesy of the Hongkong Cricket Club, they will meet local players on the stand court this afternoon at 4 p.m.

The first match is a singles between Harada and S. A. Rumjahn, present champion of the Colony, followed by a doubles encounter between Harada and Nunoi and H. D. Rumjahn and E. C. Fincher.

Admission tickets will be obtainable at the entrance of the court, and there should be a large crowd to watch the matches.

Harada is, of course, well known in Hongkong, playing here in 1930 and on previous occasions, but Nunoi, of whom much is expected, is a newcomer, and his play will be watched with keen interest.



Our picture shows the big statue of Goethe from the Tiergarten in Berlin, where the city of Berlin laid wreaths to commemorate the centenary of the great poet. Scenes from "Faust" are being given in Hongkong to-morrow.

Y.M.C.A. LADIES'
NIGHT.FARCE AND DRAMA
PRESENTED.

So popular have recent Y. M. C. A. "Ladies' Nights" proved, that that function at the Kowloon institution last night was exceptionally well attended, and the capacity of the west lounge was taxed to its utmost for the after-dinner entertainment. The feature of the programme was the effort to present a play of the "Faust" type, a dramatic society, which, at one time, had played.

It was an auspicious start for the Society, for the two plays, "Faust" and "The Taming of the Shrew," were presented with a high degree of success. The first play, "Faust," was a highly successful, if the production was successful, it was the production of the "Faust" which was the main feature of the night.

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A capable cast had a difficult task in front of them in presenting Richard Hughes' drama, "The Man Born to be Hanged," a morbid tale set in the dusk of a ruined cottage. Most of the work fell on the shoulders of S. M. West, who the Colony knows as a character artist of high order, and he was well supported by Kathleen P. Curtin and J. J. Ferguson. R. A. Bates made a lot of a small part and S. A. Sweet was again in a more-or-less mute part.

Both of the plays were well within the power of the company, and were exceptionally well produced by Mr. W. Robertson.

In addition to the dramatic side of the entertainment, a musical programme had been arranged by Mr. R. Baldwin, including a popular instrumental trio comprising Mrs. Schroeder (violin), Mr. Zsente (violin), and Mr. R. Baldwin (piano). They rendered trios by Haydn and Mozart.

Mrs. M. Portillon played with her contralto solos, "Hills of Donagall" and "Yours is my Heart's Delight" and Mr. J. W. Baldwin sang a bracket of Edward German numbers, "Dun Cupid's Garden" and "Yeomen of England."

ALARM AT AMOY.
COMMUNIST ARMIES
APPROACHING.

Peking, Apr. 14. The Legations are receiving alarming reports from Amoy that communist armies are closing in on Changchow, which is in imminent danger of capture.

The Provincial Governor is preparing to resist, and is commandeering all cars, carts and lorries for transportation of troops.

The British have been requested to despatch a gunboat for protection of their nationals, while Americans living on the mainland are crossing to Amoy for safety.—*Reuter.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

Fatima.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—The object in not having this correspondence published in a local paper here in Macao was because many know the story that I intend to narrate. It is for this reason that I am requesting you to insert it for the benefit of the Catholics of Hongkong and elsewhere. Many of our readers may probably accept it with a certain reserve, in the absence of any miracle or miracles performed openly in the presence of authentic witnesses, and, others, being incredulous, very probably will jeer at me, calling me a crank, a heretic and all sorts of names. I am afraid there will be all sorts of controversy in the papers. Whatever opinions may come out into the light of day, the writer can only say take it for what it is worth.

In a humble house (No. 10, Rua Thomas Rosa, Macao) occupied by a family consisting of a pensioner of this Government, his long suffering wife (I use the phrase "long suffering wife" because she has been wearied in body in health for years and years, attending to her crippled husband and suffering misery on account of the small pension granted by the Government to her husband and having to depend on the kind charity of others to keep the wolf from the door), a son, and a daughter. Our Lady of Fatima wills it in Her Goodness of Henri to descend to make several apparitions before the boy whose name is Alberto Pinto.

The father of the boy has been a cripple for seven or eight years. I may well confess that I had to use all sorts of persuasion to induce the boy to tell me his story verbatim. Even so, I had a lot of difficulty and I had to secure the aid of my wife to persuade the boy to put off his shyness and to come to the point. In this I had better luck and eventually he complied with our request with certain reticence, and declared:

1. That Our Lady of Fatima had appeared before him on many occasions.
2. Our Lady of Fatima had shown her desire to have a Grotto with her statue erected in the middle of the garden, with the water of the well beside the Grotto for the benefit of those who may have Faith and care to pray and ask for grace.
3. This should be done and be ready before the 13th May. Would it not be a good opportunity for those who may care to see that the Grotto be erected in honour of Our Lady of Fatima before the 13th of next month to take a moving step to comply with Her wish? I am almost sure that many persons here in Hongkong and elsewhere will be glad to roll in and do something and to get a decent Grotto erected.

4. The water of the well seems to have certain curative properties, inasmuch as a certain Miss Catharina Mendes, who had a certain incurable malady, simply through her constant prayers and supplications to Our Lady of Fatima and also through drinking the water from the well, got considerably better than she actually was before. I may add here that the doctor who treated her for that particular malady, went so far as to suspend further prescriptions (believing no doubt that it was a case of incurable disease). I have been told that Catharina Mendes is entirely O.K. now.

5.—Not only the writer, but many others have seen pictures of Our Blessed Lady of Fatima and various other Saints on the valance round the canopy of bedsteads. The short curtain, being in its place for a considerable time, changes colour through the effect of smoke and dust. However, the picture of Our Lady of Fatima remains clean and clearly visible to our eyes.

6.—Joss Martins Bruno, Sergeant of Macao Water Police, some time ago, whilst on duty at the Harbour Office for the day, all of a sudden, felt something very unpleasant in his throat and could hardly speak. He was considerably worried. His wife gave him some water from the well (which she had in a small bottle kept at home), and, soon after all the bad symptoms disappeared completely. I need hardly say that Mr. Bruno became very much impressed. He can produce witnesses from this Harbour Office to corroborate what actually happened to him. Seeing that Mr. Bruno was classified under the list of incredulous, and this story actually came from his lips, and, as he had also permitted me to make use of his statement to me, I am quite sure it may be taken for granted that it merits some close attention anyhow.

6.—Our Lady of Fatima had told the boy that his crippled father will be radically cured eventually. He must have a little more faith in Her. For the first week he must sleep in a sitting position during the night on a chair. In the second week he is permitted to sleep

BRITAIN'S TRADE
RECOVER.

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present time, and workpeople had shown a tranquillity and determination unrivalled in the world. Britain might be accused of slipping off the gold standard and sacrificing the leadership of the financial world, but, as Lord Revelstoke had stated, while we have given up the leadership, nobody else has taken it up.

More People Employed.
From September 1930 to March, 1931, the number in employment diminished by well over a quarter of a million. From September, 1931, to the end of March, 1932, there had been an increase of nearly a quarter of a million in employment. This remarkable change showed that the country's position had improved by no less than 486,000 in employment.

While every other country showed a heavy decrease, Britain alone showed an increase in the number of persons employed.

Over 300 foreign manufacturers had, in the last nine months, contemplated the establishment of factories in Britain, whilst seventy British manufacturing firms were expanding their work or setting up new undertakings with the assistance of foreign experts.

New Factories Working.
In the last few months, production had started in forty-three of these factories built by manufacturers of many various nationalities and covering a wide range of industries, all of which were covered by the Importation Orders of last winter.

He thought he could prophesy that some result would follow from the very wide range of duties which had since been imposed. The iron and steel industry, coal, marine engineering and shipbuilding showed no material sign of improvement. Their condition was causing the greatest anxiety, and there appeared no chance of a revival until there was a marked revival in the world's trade.

Empire Trade.
Referring to the Ottawa Conference Mr. Runciman said they would go there with a sentiment strongly in favour of Imperial action. Britain had advantages to give the Dominions, and they had advantages to give us. The Government were already making considerable progress in the sorting of industries in which tariffs could be conferred with the greatest advantage, and the Dominions, also working on their schedules, were examining the industries they think Britain can most help.

Any effort made to extend the trade of the Empire would not be on an exclusive basis, in the sense that it would shut Britain off from the rest of the world. Having made a secure position in Britain, the next stage was to extend trade within the Empire, so as to extend British trade along freer channels throughout the world.—*British Wireless.*

NO VOTE FOR FRENCH
WOMEN.SECOND ATTEMPT TO PASS
BILL FAILS.

Paris, Mar. 18.
A final effort to revive the Electoral Reform Bill was defeated in the Chamber in the early hours of this morning by a majority of 40 votes. The attempt to abolish the ballot has thus definitely failed.

The women's suffrage and the obligatory vote are also dead—at least in so far as the next elections are concerned.

The Bill was previously passed by the Chamber and rejected by the Senate.

on his bed, this to continue for some time and he must also pray fervently and have every confidence in Her.

7.—Numerous non-Catholic Chinese have begged of the water from the well and invariably have produced good result. It appears that the Ecclesiastical Authorities have so far declined to take a moving step to investigate the matter. I have nothing to say as to their attitude. Who knows sooner or later something may crop up? Not until an actual miracle takes place, will the Ecclesiastical Authorities perhaps take a move in the right direction.

With all due respect to our Ecclesiastical Authorities, and without trying to inveigle them, or to enroach upon their prerogatives and also in the hope that they may take a moving hand in the right spirit, none can condemn me on the grounds that I am meddling with their affairs (no doubt they have special reason to keep in the dark; they know best what they are doing).

I may as well say that I shall not reply to any controversy that may appear in any papers in reply to my correspondence. As I have said in the beginning of this letter, readers of your papers should form their own opinion, either to believe or not to believe. You may take it for what it is worth.—Yours, etc.

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Houston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky. 0003.

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Hungarian Rhapsody Orch. 85025.

Blue Danube (Strauss).

Josef Lhevinne (Pianist). 0840.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.30 p.m. Vocal Gems.

The Chocolate Soldier (Stange-Strauss).

The Merry Widow (Leon-Lehar).

Victor Light Opera Company. 35416.

Blackbirds of 1928 (McHugh-Fields).

Warren Mills and His Blue Serenaders. 35062.

Whoopee (Kahn-Danderson).

The New Moon (Mandel-Hammerstein-Romberg).

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8.30-9.10 p.m. Operatic.

Orchestral-Tristan and Isolde (Wagner)-Prelude.

San Francisco Symphony Orchestra conducted by Alfred Hertz. 6585.

Song-Orchestra (Verdi)-Ave Maria.

Song-Orchestra (Verdi)-Willow Song.

Elizabeth Rethberg (Soprano). 7303.

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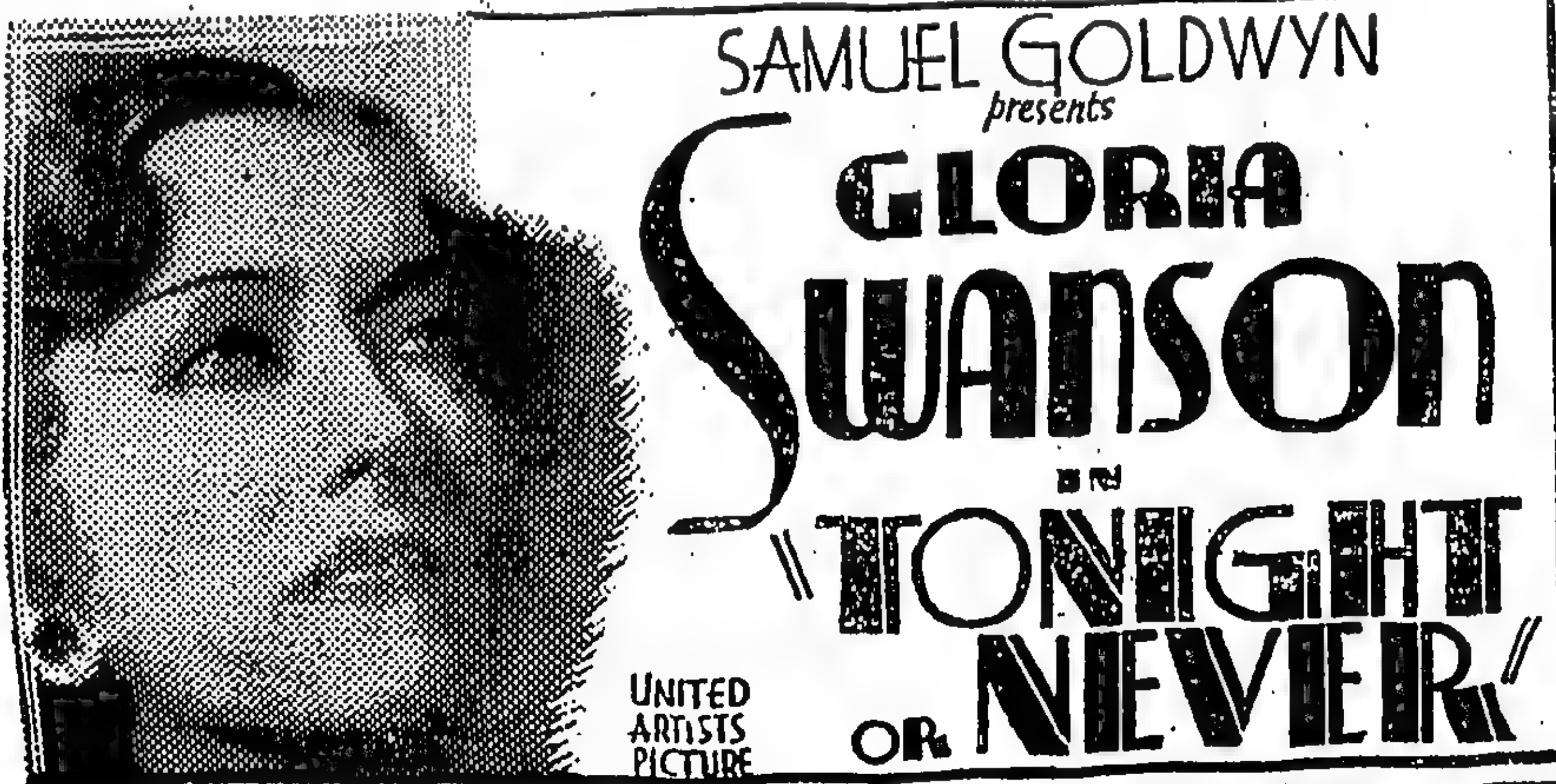
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STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

New Course.
10.28 L. H. Rawson, A. McEachran.
10.32 Mrs. Kerr, M. Wood.
Old Course.
9.16—9.20 not to be booked by travellers on 8.28 train.
9.24 W. R. Vallance, J. G. Campbell.
9.28 G. C. Worrall, R. I. Cherill.
9.32 L. R. Andrews, Hon. Comdr. G. F. H. Hole.
9.36 W. C. Shields, R. Young.
9.40 H. W. M. Duley, A. H. Harbord.
9.44 G. R. M. Robertson, R. M. Giddy.
9.48 G. T. May, R. E. Atwell.
9.52 G. A. Leiper, E. H. Williams.
9.56 S. S. Cook, W. G. Lorimer.
10.00 H. R. Sturt, D. J. Lewis.
10.04 A. C. I. Bowker, Lt. H. C. Gould.
10.08 T. J. J. Fenwick, R. W. Taplin.
10.12 J. E. Selby, H. Lowe.
10.16 J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood.
10.20 Col. J. A. Renshaw, W. D. Hughes.
10.24 L. M. S. Lloyd, F. Syme Thomson.
10.28 A. E. Lisaman, G. W. F. Hooper.
10.32 J. C. Dunbar, G. W. Tolmie.
10.36 P. Grant, J. P. Robinson.
10.40 G. W. Green, J. W. Mayhew.
10.44 N. K. Littlejohn, G. H. Bond.
10.48 L. Yates, D. J. Fraser.
10.52 J. S. Dykes, S. S. Perry.
10.56 C. W. Jeffries, J. Coulthart.
11.00 H. M. Muir, A. McKellar.
11.04 H. N. Williams, P. L. Leece.
11.08 L. H. Geare, W. D. Denham.
11.12 J. P. Sherry, A. G. Coppin.
11.16 A. Kidd, E. Kern.

HELENA MAY CONCERT

AFTER-DINNER MUSICAL PROGRAMME

Following is the programme arranged for the after-dinner musical to take place at 8 o'clock:
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino, Selected.
Mrs. G. Griggs, Mrs. M. Arnold and Mr. E. Schroter (Trio).
"Andante," Haydn.
Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpam, Grieg.
(a) "Solveig's Song."
(b) "Homage," Teresa Del Riego.
Mr. F. V. Whitta.
"New Year's Eve," Monologue.
Mrs. M. Portallion.
(a) "Softly awakes my heart,"
Samson and Delilah.
(b) "Now sleeps the Crimson Petal," Quilter.
Mr. W. H. Bailey.
(a) "Trade Winds," Keel.
(b) "Vagabond," Vaughan Williams.
The "Four B's." Selected Number.
A. Geibel.
Part II.
Mr. G. F. D'Aquino, Selected.
Mrs. G. Griggs, Mrs. M. Arnold and Mr. E. Schroter (Trio).
(a) Adagio, Schubert.
(b) Norwegian Dance, Grieg.
Mr. W. H. Bailey.
(a) Even, Bravest Heart (Faust).
(b) Two Grenadiers, (Schumann).
Mrs. P. St. A. Sharpam and Mrs. M. Portallion.
(a) Sing Joyous Bird, M. Phillips.
(b) Serenade, Schubert.
Mr. F. V. Whitta.
Sir Walter Raleigh, Monologue.
The "Four B's." Selected Number.

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RADIO SPORTS PLAYING DURING WEEK-END.

The Radio Sports Club, winners of the Munnik Shield, are again having a busy week-end, playing no less than three matches, playing no less than they will meet H.M.S. Vindictive on the Radio ground at Caroline Hill, while to-morrow, at 8 p.m. they will play H.M.S. Cumberland, also on the Radio Ground. On Sunday, at 4 p.m. they are meeting the 3rd/9th Jut Regiment on the Marina Ground, Kowloon.

The following will represent the Radio in all three matches:—Jagore Singh, P. Singh, J. Singh, Hanib, G. Jack, M. Singh, S. Singh, A. E. P. Guent, G. Singh, Kalyant Singh and F. A. Kemp. Reserves: H. Singh, Atin Singh and Atina Singh. Referee: J. T. K. Gilchrist.

Ladies at Play.
The following will represent Hong-kong Ladies in a match against Kowloon Ladies on the Y.M.C.A. Ground at King's Park to-morrow, at 4.15 p.m.: J. Harris Walker, E. M. Gray, A. Nicol, E. Ross, B. M. Pope, C. Ferguson, H. Knill, M. Alun Jones, P. M. Harrop, A. G. Orme and E. Blackburn.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris.....	95.75	95.11/16
Geneva.....	107	107
Berlin.....	19.7/16	19.9/16
Oslo.....	215	215
Helsingfors.....	300	300
Athens.....	300	300
Buenos Aires.....	30 3/4	30 7/16
Shanghai.....	1/7.13/16	1/7.13/16
New York.....	3.77 1/2	3.77 1/2
Amsterdam.....	9.3 1/4	9.3 1/4
Vienna.....	32	32
Madrid.....	40 1/2	40 1/2
Bucharest.....	63 1/4	63 1/4
Bombay.....	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4
Brussels.....	27.02	22.00
Milan.....	73 1/2	73 1/2
Stockholm.....	18.5/16	18.5/16
Copenhagen.....	18.5/16	18.5/16
Prague.....	127 1/2	127 1/2
Alban.....	100 1/2	100 1/2
Rio.....	4 1/4	4 1/4
Bombay.....	1/6.1/16	1/6.1/16
Yokohama.....	1/6.1/16	1/6.1/16
Montevideo.....	29	29
Montreal.....	4.10 1/2	4.10 1/2
Silver (spot).....	1.16 1/2	1.16 1/2
(forward) 16.11/16	16.9/16	16.9/16

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1560 b.
Chartered Bank, \$11 1/4 n.
Messeville Bank, \$18 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am: O. Finance Corp., \$20 n.
Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$475 b.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.
Shipping.
Douglases, \$26 n.
H. K. Steamboat, \$23 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$32 n.
Union Waterworks, \$19 1/2 n.
Mining.
Bonguets, \$14 b.
Kilans, \$22/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raub, \$38 b.
Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$142 1/2 n.
Whampoa Dock, \$20 1/4 b.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$4.85 b.
Hongkong, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 5 1/2 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 n.
Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.30 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 76 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11 1/2 n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels, \$13.30 b. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels, Rts. \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$78 n.
Metro Lands—\$10 n.
Shai Lands, Tls. 25 n.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Realities, \$11.50 b.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$30n.
Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.75 b.
Peak Tram, (old), \$15.50 n.
Star Ferry, \$90 1/2 n.
China Lights, \$21.25 s.
H. K. Electric, \$74 b.
Macao Electric, \$24 1/2 n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Traction, 3/- n.
Industrials.
Malabons, \$21 n.
Canton Ices, \$5 1/2 n.
Cements (com.), \$18.20 b.
Ropes, \$15 n.
Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$28.60 n.
Watsons, \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, \$3 1/2 n.
Lee A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$5.30 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16 1/2 b.
Powells, \$3.65 n.
Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$23 b.
Entertainments (old) \$14.90 n.
Constructions (old) \$5.75 s.
Constructions (new) \$1.80 b.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 s.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$63 1/2 n.
Loans, \$9 1/2 b. Prem.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

Markets took on a change for the better this morning, buyers being more in evidence, with rates inclined to be firmish.

Sales.
Hongkong Bank \$1565/1685
Union Insurance \$475
Providents (Old) \$1.00
Hongkong Realities \$11.05
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.35/15.40
Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$21
Hongkong Electric \$71
Telephones (P.P.) \$24.00
Canton Ices \$5.05

Buyers.
Hongkong Bank \$1560
Union Insurance \$475
Bonguets \$14
Docks \$20 1/4
Providents (Old) \$4.85
Providents (New) \$2.20
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$12.30
Hongkong Realities \$11.05
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.30
Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$20.00
Hongkong Electric \$71
Macao Electric \$24 1/2
Telephones (P.P.) \$24.00
Cements (Combined) \$18.20
Sinceres \$16 1/2
Amusements \$23
Constructions (New) \$1.80
Govt. Loans 3 1/2 Premium.
Chinese Estates \$59 1/4
Bonguets Explorations 20 cents.
Sellers.
International Asso. Tls. 4.
China Lights (Old) \$21 1/4
Hongkong Electric \$74 1/4
S. C. Enterprises \$10
Constructions (Old) \$5 1/2

ANTI-NAZI DECREE.

VERY SLIGHT RESISTANCE ENCOUNTERED.

Berlin, Apr. 14.
The swiftness of the Government's action has taken the Nazis by complete surprise.

The police raided the storm troops' offices and barracks, including an aeroplane. They encountered only very slight resistance, dispersing widespread fear that the coup could not be effected without bloodshed.

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LEAVES ON PIECE GOODS.

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as remuneration to the staffs of our members... The Chamber has replied to this in similar terms, but pointing out that on certain indent business, which is worked on a bare 2½ per cent. commission basis, it is not practicable to allow discounts on fixed sterling prices, and therefore the Chamber was advising its members to decline to concede the request and, moreover, use the protective clause which I quoted just now.

To-day we have before us a new Piece Goods Contract which is seriously put forward through a local firm of solicitors, who announce that the Piece Goods Guild have decided for themselves the terms on which the Piece Goods Trade of the Colony is to be conducted henceforth. We are not even in courtesy asked to approve it, but merely to suggest a convenient date for its being brought into force! You have, no doubt, seen that contract, gentlemen, and I am sure you will agree that the terms are totally unacceptable.

That then, gentlemen, is briefly the position to date, excepting that the Sundries Guild have since passed a further "resolution" increasing the levy on certain goods—blankets to wit—from one-half per cent. to one per cent. Next month the rates may be increased. We don't know!

Chamber's Standard Contract.

Now I want to tell you briefly something of the history and origin of the Chamber's standard form of fancy piece goods contract. Some of you will doubtless remember the circumstances, but it will do no harm to refresh our memories. This contract was really the direct outcome of a request by Chinese merchants to unify the terms of sale. They complained that some importers' contracts had as many clauses and conditions as a present-day Bill of Lading, whilst others were practically devoid of any conditions whatever. They produced certain contracts containing about 20 to 30 different clauses and conditions, and others with none at all!

So the Chamber set about drafting a standard form, which would be fair to all, and on which all merchants could buy as well as sell. The main object was to cover the essential points, and to arrive at a satisfactory basis. I can assure you that it was no easy task, since one merchant wanted one thing and another something else, but we did finally arrive at a basis and, said to the importer, "You may add any other conditions you like, but your contract should, at least, contain the Chamber's basic conditions".

Accepted Locally.

Not only was the Chamber's standard form accepted by the local merchants and importers, but after protracted negotiations the general terms were also accepted by the Manchester, Bradford and other Chambers, and what are now known and accepted universally as "China Contract Terms" are thoroughly understood.

Obviously a merchant must buy and sell on the same terms; that is to say, he can't give to his buyer all sorts of concessions or different conditions which are obtainable from his supplier, or less of course he calculates accordingly. Therefore I say, gentlemen, that standard terms, which are universally accepted by the trade are of the highest possible value, and form the only satisfactory basis on which a large trade can be successfully maintained.

I think I can say without fear of contradiction that the Chamber's standard form of contract has been a boon both to merchant importers as well as to their clients, and has proved a hardship to none. I do not say that it is perfect, but we are ready at any time, when reasonable suggestions are made for improvement, to consider them.

Trade Disorganised.

The contract now put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild is not reasonable. We do not know who are chiefly responsible for these recent demands, but we have every reason to believe that many dealers are not in favour, and in some cases are actively opposed to the proposals. Nevertheless, its issue has disorganised the trade for the past week or ten days and entirely unnecessary losses have been sustained by both importers and dealers.

Gentlemen, the function of this Chamber is to protect and promote honest and profitable trading for all, and I feel we would be lacking in our duty if we did not take a strong stand against destructive action by the Local Guilds!

With these remarks, gentlemen, I will proceed with the first of three resolutions which are before you, and after the proposal has been seconded, it will be open for discussion. I beg to propose: "that this representative meeting of Importers is unanimously of opinion that the Form of Contract put forward by the Chinese Piece Goods Guild is totally unsuitable and unacceptable to the trade, and that the present Standard Form of Fancy Goods Contract will be adhered to and remain the only accepted basis of future transactions until amended by general consent."

"A One-Sided Contract."

Mr. J. A. Plummer, Chairman of the Piece Goods Sub-Committee of the Chamber, said: I rise formally to second the resolution which you have just proposed, and in doing so I can safely say that I fully concur with all our Chairman has said.

The Guild has not asked us to consider their proposals or rather demands, but we are expected to swallow the contract whole. The Guild, moreover, seems to be under the impression that it can, by simple resolution of its members, make levies, and impose conditions, which must of necessity be accepted by the trade, and I feel that this meeting should impress upon them strongly that they do not possess any such arbitrary powers.

No reasonably-minded merchant or dealer desires a one-sided contract, and I have the best reason for believing that a very large number of dealers do not favour the proposed innovations, but realize that they are impracticable and unsound.

I have no hesitation, therefore, in asking you to support this resolution, which I hope will be passed unanimously and without (Continued on Page 11.)



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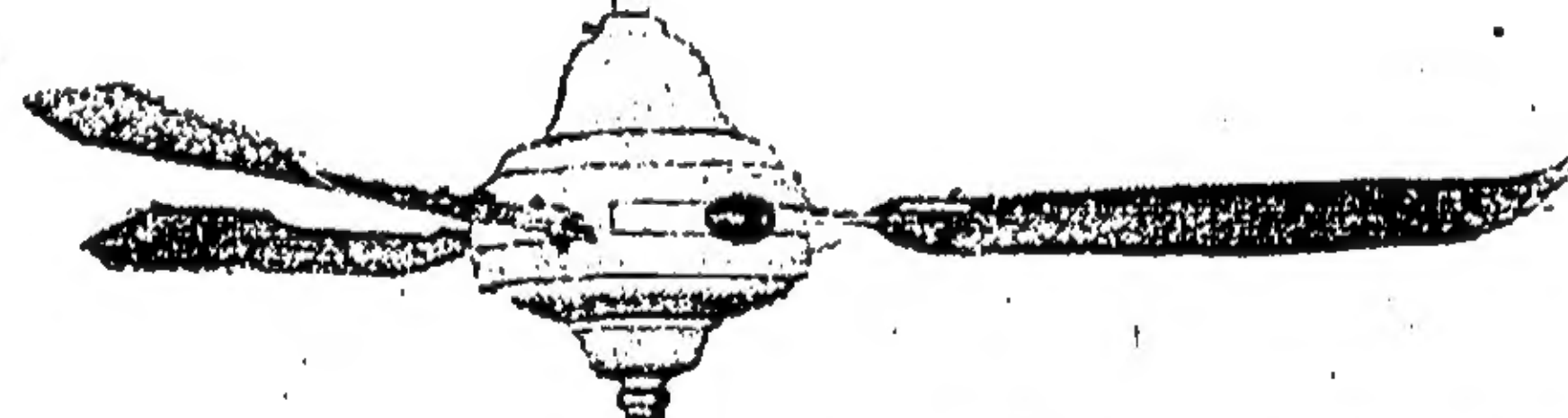
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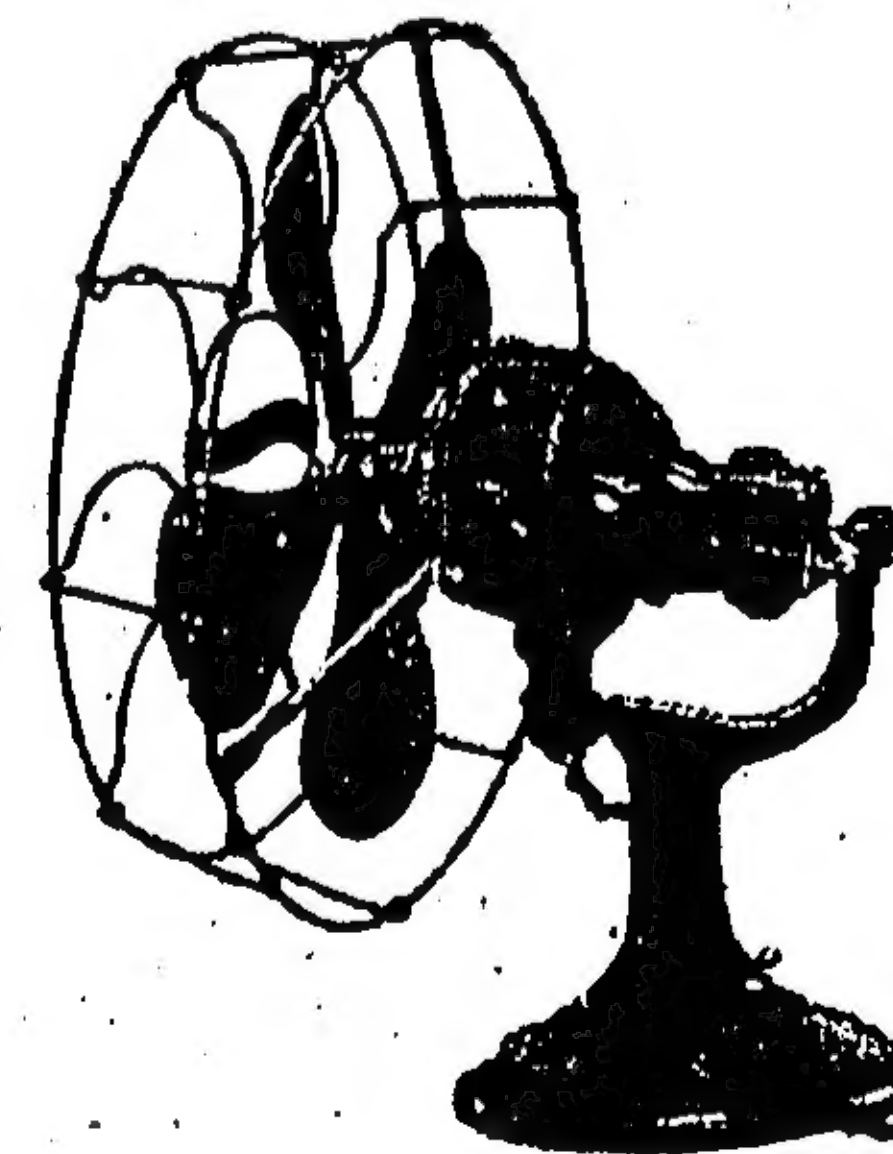
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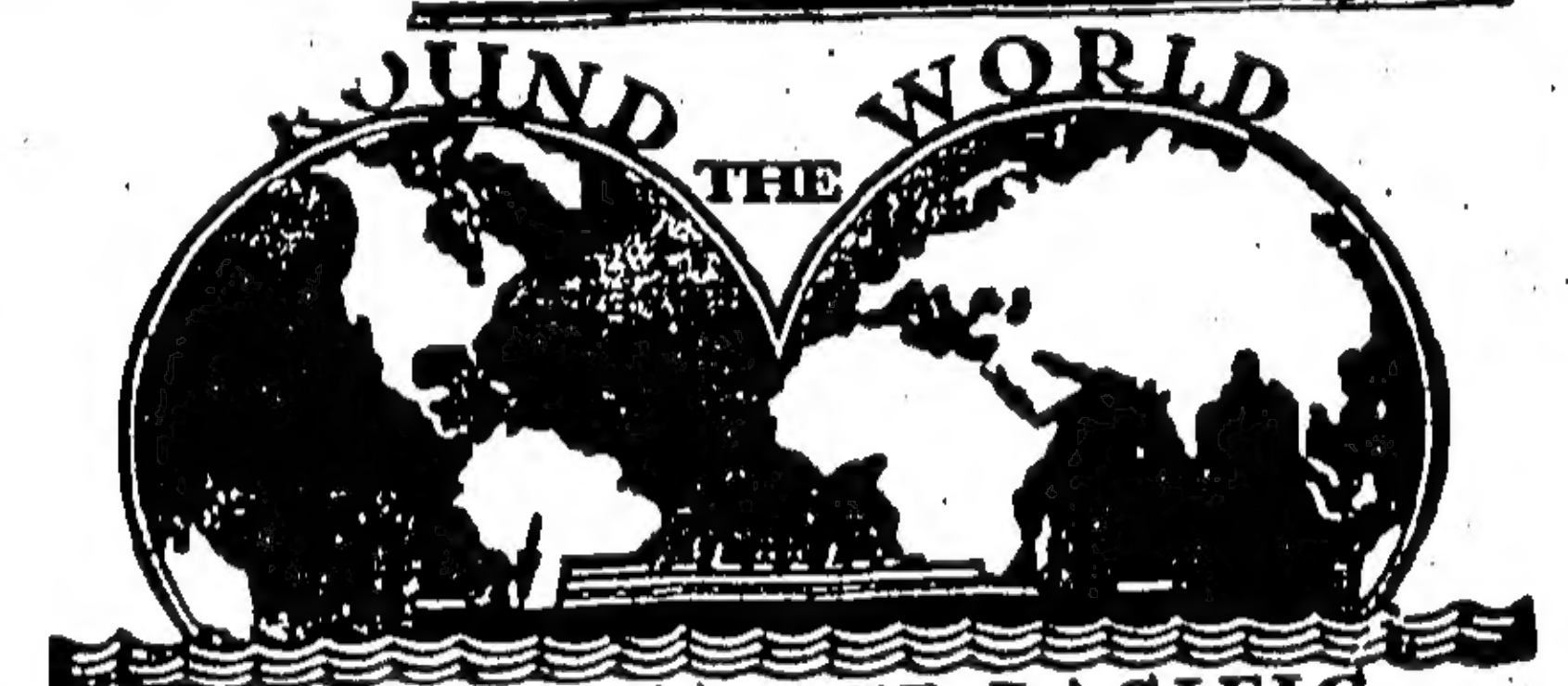
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Felix Roussel ... 21st June	D'Aragnan ... 21st June
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LEAVES ON PIECE GOODS.

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discussion. The resolution which follows will give you ample scope for expressing any opinions you may have regarding the Guild's Contract or any modification of the Chamber's standard form, and as Chairman of this Piece Goods Sub-Committee, I shall greatly welcome a free and full expression of your views. I beg to second the resolution.

The resolution was carried.

Second Resolution.

The Chairman then moved the following resolution:—"That a Committee be appointed to consider, and if found advisable to revise, the Chamber's Standard Form of Piece Goods Contract, with a view, if possible, to making it a standard for all Textiles."

He said: I would suggest that this meeting leave it to the Chamber of Commerce to appoint a small and experienced committee to carry out the actual revision of the Contract, with authority to consult all interests concerned, as well as to take legal advice.

Importers themselves, I understand, are aware of three or four details in respect of which the present contract could, from their point of view, be improved, and they would like it to cover all textiles, and, as far as possible, to be brought into close agreement with the "China Contract" of the Manchester and Bradford Chambers. Importers will then be selling on the same terms as those on which they buy.

To Meet Guilds' Views.

We shall hope to have the benefit of the views of the Piece Goods Guild and of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce as to the amendments of the existing contract which are desirable from their point of view, and shall do our best to meet them. Finally, it is to be hoped that an agreed date for the coming into force of a revised contract will be mutually agreed by importers and the Guild.

The Chamber of Commerce will keep merchants informed and they will be asked to attend a meeting later on to approve, or otherwise, the contract as revised.

Meanwhile, I would urge all concerned to continue to trade on the terms of the present standard contract, because revision must necessarily take some time. The Manchester and Bradford Chambers, for example, will need to be consulted on some points.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin Supports.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin seconded the resolution. He said: I have much pleasure in seconding the resolution which has just been proposed. I daresay that a contract of 10 years' old may not be suitable now, and consequently may require some changes, but it must be *quid pro quo* to be fair and just, and be acceptable by both sides. (Hear Hear.)

I understand that the Piece Goods Guild earnestly desires certain modifications in the present method of trading and I am glad to learn that importers have every desire to meet them in a friendly discussion of their views.

As Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, I can assure the General Chamber and importers generally of the hearty co-operation in these negotiations of the body over which I have the

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

RECONSTRUCTION TO COST ABOUT \$1,400,000.

The Directors and permanent advisers of the Tung Wah Hospital have decided to proceed immediately with the demolition of the former Po Leung Kuk Building which is the property of the Tung Wah Hospital.

On this site the directors intend to build a five storey building which will form an extension to the existing Tung Wah Hospital buildings.

Roughly a sum of from \$130,000 to \$140,000 will be required for the building of this extension on the Po Leung Kuk site. On the completion of the annex it is expected that parts of the old Tung Wah buildings will be demolished and a concrete building will be erected at a cost of \$1,400,000. The total reconstruction work will take some years to complete.

honour to preside. (Loud applause.)

Preventing Distorted Story.

Discussion being invited, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson said: There is one point which occurs to me. I think we might very well send in a full report of these proceedings and of all that led up to them, to the Colonial Secretary. It cannot do any harm and it may prevent the Government from getting a somewhat distorted story, as there is always that danger.

There are certain things about the proposed new contract which really rather amaze me, and one is the last clause, whereby in a British Colony, under British law, it is suggested that, there being two texts—one British and the other Chinese—the Chinese text shall rule. That strikes me as quite an extraordinary thing in a place which is a British Colony and not a satrapy of China. (Applause.)

The Chairman said that Mr. Paterson's suggestion would be adopted.

The resolution was carried.

Guilds' Action Deplored.

The Chairman, in moving the third resolution, said it would not be necessary to speak to it as he had covered it very fully in his opening remarks. The resolution was: "That this general meeting of Importers deplores the recent action of certain Local Guilds in endeavouring to enforce levies on the Import Trade of the Colony, and strongly recommends all Merchants to resist payment wherever possible."

Mr. J. Owen Hughes seconded the resolution. He said he felt sure that Importers would fully endorse its terms; in particular they would deplore the action of the Po Yick Guild in presenting its demands. He contended that such levies were entirely wrong in principle. The object of these exactions in no way concerned importers, but he, for one, very much objected to perpetuating a system of trading which was entirely alien to British methods.

Placating Employees.

With the experience of another Guild before them, it was surprising that the Po Yick Guild should make this attempt at placing the responsibility of placating their employees on the shoulders of importers. In the case he had in mind the movement began a few years ago with a very small commission and it had grown up to no less than two per cent of the purchasing price having

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THE DIME-A-DANCE GIRL.

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Myra offered amiably. But she added with a curious look at her sister, "Aren't you pleased, honey?"

"Of course I'm pleased," snapped Ellen. "What am I supposed to do—dance a jig?"

"Ellen's got a fellow! Ellen's got a fellow!" chanted Mike, catching belatedly the excitement of his elders.

"Be still, Mike," said his mother absently. "Don't tease your sister."

She and Myra exchanged a long, significant look. Ellen caught the look. It occurred to her a little forlornly that the only person in the Rossiter household not delighted with Steven Barclay's generosity was the recipient of it.

(To be Continued.)

London, Apr. 14. Lord Craigavon, returning to Belfast, declared he was "perfectly satisfied" with the result of his visit.—*Reuter*.

to be given up to the Guild's employees.

Finally, he said he considered that a levy of this nature would be a direct hindrance to the trade of the Colony. Importers were well aware that similar demands were constantly being made in some of the coast ports. He hoped the meeting would agree that it was the duty of all importers to see that trade was not allowed to degenerate into the impossible conditions which obtain in some of the neighbouring ports. (Applause.)

There being no discussion, the resolution was put to the meeting and declared carried *nem. con.*

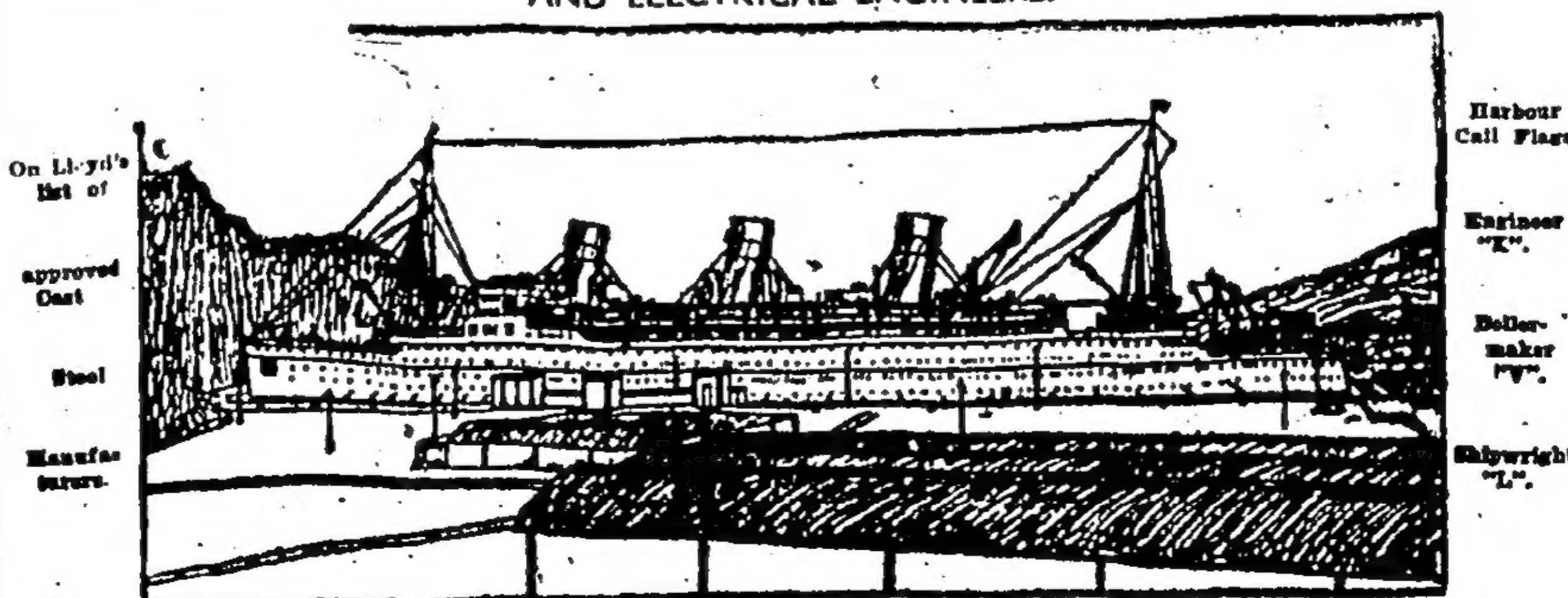


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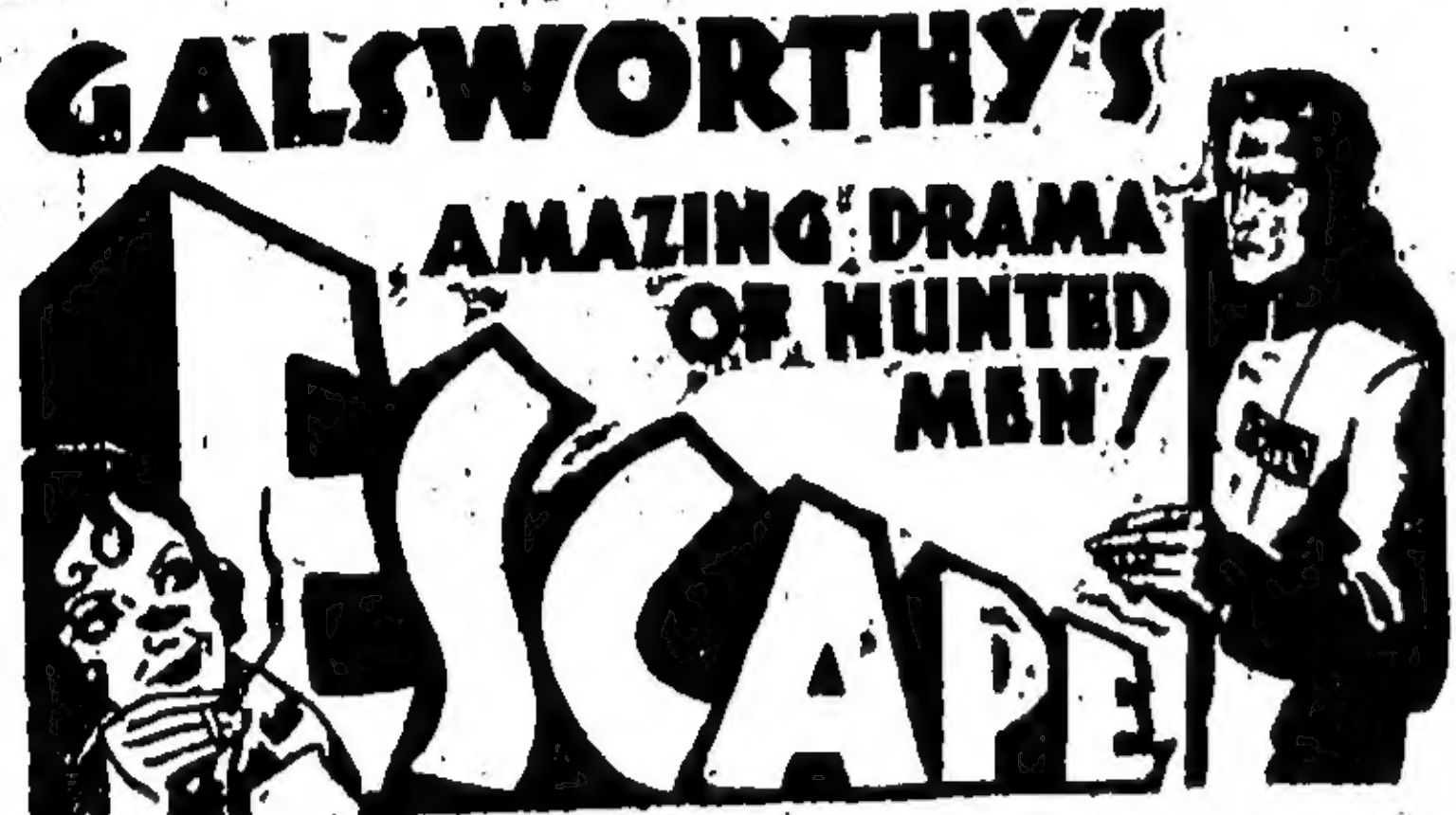
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FOREIGN IN COURT.

PASSPORT AND ARMS CHARGES.

The national status of George Arthur de Houx de Pastree, a foreigner who recently arrived in Hongkong from Amoy, was queried by the Police authorities when they charged him on remand before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy, yesterday afternoon, with unlawfully entering the Colony without a proper passport. De Pastree was also charged with the unlawful possession of a pistol without a permit from the Inspector-General of Police.

In evidence at the previous hearing, a Police witness, Captain Guy R. Bass, Chief Police Officer of the Kowloon Municipal Council Administration, stated that he had known the defendant as George Houx at Amoy for some years, and that he was present when an application by Houx for a visa to come to Hongkong, was refused by the British Consul there.

Captain Bass further stated his belief that the defendant was a French subject who had been disowned by his country for having evaded conscription.

The document which defendant now declared was his title to entering Hongkong, was a certificate of identity without a visa.

Claim to Chinese Citizenship.

Regarding defendant's claims to Chinese citizenship, Mr. L.H.V. Booth, A.S.P., stated his view that a valid Chinese passport should have stated the national status of the holder. The document in the possession of the defendant was a certificate of identity not according with the conditions of the Hongkong Passports Ordinance, which required that unless a person was a British subject or subject of a State between which and Great Britain there existed an agreement for dispensing with the necessity for visas, his passport or other official document establishing his nationality or identity must have a visa.

Witness was of the opinion that Houx was of unknown nationality insofar as he was not a Chinese subject. That was to say, as far as witness knew, he was not of Chinese nationality. It was true that when questioned, Houx produced two documents. One, dated May 25, 1931, showed that he had applied for Chinese naturalisation. That application lacked the signature of one or more guarantors. The other document, dated January 25 of this year, was one requiring defendant to pay a certain sum of money—quite a small one amounting to \$14, before his application could be proceeded with. The latter document was important for the present case against the defendant, in that it appeared to show that Houx was not a Chinese subject. He was not one when the document which was now being questioned was issued. Defendant stated he had another document

from Nanking, but was unable to produce it.

Visa Essential.

Witness's official view was that it was sufficient for the Police that the document in the possession of the defendant had no visa, beside that it left him unconcerned as to whether the passport was a proper or a temporary passport.

Cross-examined by Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr. on behalf of the defendant, witness agreed that if there had been a visa and the visa was one given by a British Consular Officer in a foreign State, he would not have brought the charge against the defendant.

Mr. d'Almada: Then the question of definition of nationality would not matter to you?—Witness: No. I should pass it in consequence of the visa.

Mr. d'Almada: I see this was a document current for three months. Assuming it as satisfactory, the condition you mentioned, he could stay here until the expiration of that period?

Witness replied that that was a moot point, and he referred Counsel to the Ordinance.

The Defence.

During his cross-examination of Mr. Booth, Mr. d'Almada informed his Worship that his defence was that the defendant, having lived in Amoy for four and a half years, thereby qualified for Chinese citizenship. He applied for such Chinese citizenship, which was obvious by the papers produced in Court, but before the matter was settled he had to come to Hongkong on business. He then applied for a passport and obtained the document produced in Court, relying on the fact that he had applied for Chinese citizenship. He got the document and was informed that it was sufficient in Hongkong. He had no knowledge of Chinese in that he could not read Chinese. It was true he went to the British Consul to get a visa but his original intention was to go to Borneo and Singapore in addition to Hongkong. He had been told in Amoy that for a Chinese citizen no passport was necessary in Hongkong.

His Worship remarked that Mr. d'Almada was actually pleading guilty but making a statement in mitigation.

Mr. d'Almada said that he was going to submit that the document was a perfectly valid passport subject to the fact that a Chinese citizen was the same as a person of Chinese race.

His Worship replied that he must hold against Mr. d'Almada on that.

After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. d'Almada should enter a plea of guilty and call evidence in mitigation at a later hearing.

On the charge of possession of the revolver, the defendant had pleaded guilty but said that the weapon was no good.

A Frenk Weapon.

The prosecution called Sergeant J. E. Scott (Police Armourer) who stated that the weapon was a 7 m.m. protected pistol, in good

ENTERTAINING SONG RECITAL.

MENINGITIS ORDER PRE- VENTS MR. LOWE'S PRESENCE.

The regulations forbidding servicemen to attend places of amusement during the present meningitis outbreak prevented the appearance of Mr. Thomas Lowe at the song recital in the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Lowe's place was taken by Miss Edris d'Aquino, the possessor of a sweet soprano voice, who sang nine songs. Her first three numbers "My Mother Bids me Bid my Hair," "Who is Sylvia?" and "Maiden's Wish" were well received. In the second group of items, Miss d'Aquino surpassed her first effort. That popular song "Pipes of Pan" was keenly appreciated. Among her other songs were "La Serenata," "L'Amour Capricieux" and "The Nightingale."

Miss B. Balean played two etudes (Chopin). In both numbers she exhibited good technique, and her work in the second number, particularly the bass, was delightful.

Mrs. I. Balean is an accomplished violinist and she played the difficult movements of "Andante et Polonaise" with ease. The delighted audience were loth to let her leave the stage.

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The accompanists were Miss M. Gomes and Miss L. Pecker.

Dance Cancelled.

Owing to the prevailing epidemic, it was found necessary to cancel the Medway and Submarine dance arranged to take place at Lane Crawford's restaurant last night. Lt. Hussey and committee of the Osiris regret that, as the vessel had been out at sea, it was not possible to give due notice of the cancellation, and thus a number of people attended and were disappointed.

It is hoped that conditions will permit of holding the dance, at the same place, from 8.30 to 1 a.m., on Monday next.

working order. If ammunition could be found to fit the pistol it would be a dangerous weapon but at present he had not been able to find ammunition to fit it.

In reply to his Worship witness said that the weapon was capable of inflicting death. It appeared to have been fired sometime during the past year although he could not state definitely. The weapon was similar to those attached to walking sticks or umbrellas.

In reply to Mr. d'Almada witness said that it was a rare and freak type.

His Worship accepted pleas of guilty to both counts and adjourned the hearing for argument in extenuation of sentence.

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